

May 2017

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



April showers bring May flowers. Well, I don't have too many flowers in my garden yet. But, I am looking forward to them making an appearance. The flower that symbolizes May is the Lily of the Valley - a symbol of happiness. This symbol reminds me of all the people that the BCCWC helped by this year. We should all pat ourselves on the back and be proud of our accomplishments.

The May birthstone is the emerald, which stands for success. We have been very successful.

I believe that our successes are helping others. As Dr. Surrell noted this in the program presented a few weeks ago, we need to care for ourselves AND others when it comes to our health. He stated that when he thinks of the word "OTHERS," he thinks of the women of the BCCWC.

Dr. Surrell spelled out the word "others".

O = opportunity

T = to

H = help

E = everyone

R = respectfully

S = sincerely

I agree with Dr. Surrell. The women of the BCCWC do take as many Opportunities To Help Everyone we can, with Respect and Sincerity.

Have a wonderful month of May - take time to enjoy the flowers.

Jan Clark, President 2016-2017

BCCWC COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION AWARD REQUESTS

It's that time of year to get your Community Contribution Award Requests submitted! To recommend a local non-profit organization (non-denominational, non-discriminatory, and non-political) to receive a BCCWC Community Award, you need to complete one of the forms and mail it to Helene Rosner. The forms are on the website under the fundraising tab, or you can click here:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/764992376/201617%2BCommunity%2BAward%2BNomination%2Bform.pdf>

Community Awards are considered for organizations that are located in Brown County only. Last year we were able to give awards totaling \$37,300 to various programs because of the hard work of our membership. We are hoping to do the same or better this year due to all your help and efforts with various fundraising events throughout the year. Thanks for all you do!!

All requests need to be submitted by **May 31**, 2017. Please mail them to: Helene Rosner. The BCCWC Board of Directors will consider and vote on those requests at the June board meeting.

Helene Rosner, President-Elect
2921 Bay Settlement Road, Green Bay, WI 54311

MEMBERSHIP



BCCWC welcomes two new members: Carey Lheureux and Diane Lenz.

Our membership drive/renewal period started in March. We have 63 new/renewing members so far. You can find the membership application here:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/765797455/BCCWC+Membership+2017-2018+.pdf>

The deadline to be included in the 2017-2018 directory is **June 30**. Ladies, let's renew in a timely manner, please!

Kathy Belschner (660-2705) belschnerk@yahoo.com
Betty Jensen (857-3978) bej59@yahoo.com, Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

Spring Flowers



Spring Luncheon is coming up soon: Wednesday, May 17
Green Bay Distillery, 835 Mike McCarthy Way, Ashwaubenon
Social: 11:00 Lunch: 12:00 Entertainment 1:00 Meeting 1:30
Amy Reimer-Hermans, well-known local entertainer and Vocal Director for Let Me Be Frank Productions will perform.

Reservations: due by **May 2** - Forms are on BCCWC website or use link below:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/765588926/Luncheon+Reservation+May+17-2017.pdf>

Sherry Campbell, Cathy Green Co-chairs

Bring finished items for **One Stitch at a Time**

Jean Allgeyer, Pat Hearnden, Co-Chairs



COMMUNITY SERVICE

NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT - "SPECIAL SPACES"



Watch for information in future newsletters for a new committee to be formed as a "Special Spaces" volunteer. What is "Special Spaces"? It is a non-profit organization that creates dream bedrooms for children with life-threatening illnesses. In 2016, the Green Bay Chapter completed 18 makeovers, with 11 being in Brown County. Look for more information in future newsletters regarding how BCCWC members can donate time and talent to this rewarding experience.


Contact Kathy Aicher with questions, comments or suggestions: (465-1600) kaicher@new.rr.com

WELLSPRING: A PLACE FOR WOMEN



A Place for Women: Can you find it in your heart to help?
Several years ago BCCWC committed to offering our services at Wellspring.

To quote the Wellspring website, "Wellspring is A Place of Peace - a daytime resource center just for women in the heart of downtown Green Bay. The center provides a peaceful, caring place to connect with other women who are facing similar issues and difficulties, especially when their lives get very challenging. For many women in transition, Wellspring serves as another family, a place to belong, a friend away from home - with programming focusing on mind, body and spirit. Wellspring serves more than 300 women who visit there more than 4,200 times a year seeking peer support, personal growth opportunities, resources and referrals."

Please go to the browser on your computer and type in "The Women of Wellspring-YouTube." Try the Feb. 23, 2016 version for starters to get an idea of this center. Our members have been generous in the past in donating to various types of clothing drives for the women there who often sleep on the streets or shelters. There are more options for us to be involved. The previous director has left Green Bay for a job in the Twin Cities, so they are in transition with an interim director. Our club is looking for a new chair for Wellspring as well because the previous chairs will be involved in BCCWC in different ways next year. Can you find it in your heart to chair or co-chair this project next year for BCCWC? The community service directors will provide as much support as possible, if you decide to do it. 

If you are interested, or just have questions, please contact:

Sherry Campbell (680 -0778) (sherrysuej@new.rr.com)

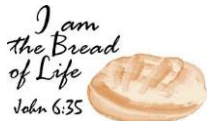
Gina Reinardy (664-6501) (gina.reinardy@gmail.com)

ST JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER



A huge thank you to everyone who contributed food to the guests at St. Johns. We served approximately 600 meals between November and April.

We received many expressions of appreciation and compliments about the meals.



Mary Krautkramer (336-0198 Or 819-5812) mkraty@att.net
Mary Kay Paulson (632-7473) mkpaulson@aol.com, Co- Chairs

KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN



Gardening at the Kress Library Garden is about to start for the 2017 gardening season. Our first scheduled date is **Monday, May 1** with a rain date of **Tuesday, May 2**. We will be waking up the garden on that date. This means we will be cleaning the garden of debris, raking and pruning out dead material left over from winter and fertilizing where needed. So gardeners, dig out your garden tools and come join us from **8:00 AM to about 10:00 AM**. We'll have a short fellowship get-together at a local restaurant after finishing gardening for those who are interested.

We have a 2nd scheduled gardening date for May. That date is **Thursday, May 25**. On that date the plan is to do planting, further trimming and clean up for Memorial Day weekend.

Future gardening dates scheduled are listed as follows:

June 14 - (Wednesday)

July 7 - (Friday)

July 31 - (Monday)

August 22 - (Tuesday)

September 15 - (Friday)

October 4 - (Wednesday) Put the garden to bed date.



Please come join us for whatever dates or time you can give to make and keep the garden beautiful. It is so appreciated by the community and library staff.

Mae Rohde, Chair (336-3092) Rohmh7@gmail.com

ONE STITCH AT A TIME



It's time to put the finishing touches on your blankets for the needy. We will be collecting them at the **May 17** luncheon meeting. All kinds and all sizes are appreciated. Also, we have been given patterns for crocheted and knit wheelchair shawls. This is a great opportunity that will fit nicely with the blanket project. **You may**

pick up a copy of the patterns at the May meeting or follow the links below.

The patterns below are available on-line for free:

Crocheted Wheelchair Wrap: 12 ounces worsted weight yarn, Susan Coes

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/wheelchair-wrap>



Weaver's Wool MiniShawl : One Skein, 350 yards , DK, Peggy Pignato

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/weavers-wool-mini-shawl>



If you have any questions or need us to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Pat or Jean.

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Jean Allgeyer (639-2980) jmallgeyer@msn.com, Co-Chairs

QUILTING FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Thursday, **June 8**, at 5:30 PM is the dedication date for the six Habitat for Humanity homes located at the corner of Walnut and Baird Streets. Thanks to all of the wonderful and creative quilters, we achieved our goal of completing 6 quilts for this event. Habitat for Humanity staff also informed us that there will be four more homes dedicated by year's end. No problem, the quilters have that covered too (no pun intended). !



Here is another beautiful quilt for one of the lucky new Habitat for Humanity homeowners!

Want to be part of this ongoing project?

Attend the Quilters' Meeting on Tues., **May 23**, at 9 AM at The Village Grille at 801 Hoffman Rd. in Green Bay.

Carol De Grand (680-5470) cjdegrand@gmail.com

Mary Schrickel (609-4651) mary_habitat@hotmail.com, Co-Chairs

FUNDRAISING

KWIK TRIP/FESTIVAL GIFT CARDS



Festival and Kwik trip gift cards will be sold at the end of the year luncheon on **May 17**. Stock up for those summer car trips! Gas cards are nice to leave in the car for those quick stops for deli items. Gift cards can be used for anything that these two businesses sell.

Cathy Green, Chair (676-4665) cgreen1171@new.rr.com

FESTIVAL BRAT FRYS



Spring is in the air, and it's time to get ready for the second of our 3 brat fry days at Festival Foods! Get your "hungry" on and visit the BCCWC team on Friday, **May 12**, at the Bellevue Festival. See you at this fun fundraiser!

Mark your calendars now for the final date - Friday, **September 15**, at the University Avenue Festival. See you there!

Judy Pieschek & Judy Giesler, Co-Chairs

YUM YUM SHOPPE



Time to use your baking skills for the **May 3** Spring Card & Game Day Party at Thornberry Creek Golf Course. We need your help for this wonderful fundraising venture! Put your creative baking talents to use, and bring in fun things for the bake sale. Please feel free to donate any homemade baked goods, or give a cash donation. All are appreciated.

We will have drop-off sites for those who are unable to bring it directly to Thornberry on May 3. Thank you very much to those who assist with this.

- East Side Drop Off - Mary Adriansen, 2522 Riverside Drive, Green Bay (437-5015)
- West Side - Terry Jeffers, 138 S. Buchanan, Green Bay (499-8468 home; 606-2470 (cell))

✚ *Please call first to make sure they know you are dropping things off*

If possible, please package your bakery; otherwise we will take care of the packaging when we price the goods. *With your help, we again will make this a huge success!*

Joan Zittlow, Chair (499-5460) joanzittlow@gmail.com

50/50 RAFFLE



Congratulations to Dorothy Perpich, the 50/50 winner for April, winning \$104! A second winner, Mary Jane Bublitz, won a darling G&G hand-made Packer hat donated by 'The Hat Lady', Sherry Steffen. Enjoy!

Mary Adriansen, Chair

BCCWC ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 2017 - Mark your calendars!



Monday, **June 12**, is the date and *Mid Vallee Golf Course* is where the action is! The scramble format begins at 9:00 AM with a shotgun start. This annual fundraiser is for golfers as well as non-golfers who want play bridge or other games and then join the golfers for the famous taco bar lunch. Join the festivities. Get your registration forms in now!

See details on the registration form available on the BCCWC website or click the link below:

http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/765658088/2017_BCCWC_Golf_Outing_registration_form.pdf

Terry Jeffers, Chair (606-2470) tjeffers138@att.net

MARCH SPECIAL EVENT



If you were fortunate enough to hear Dr. James Surrell at our fundraiser on March 30, you were entertained and enlightened! He discussed his book "SOS" explaining how refined sugar is the culprit in many illnesses. He emphasized living a healthier life, and making better choices every day. He was generous enough not to charge us a stipend for sharing his expertise, so the club reaped the benefits of his expertise and experience. Thank you to all who attended.

Beezie MacNeil, Sue Protzman, Lynette Van Den Heuvel, Fundraising Co-Chairs

FELLOWSHIP

SPRING BUS TRIP

Due to low registration, the spring motor coach bus trip has been cancelled. Arrangements for refunds have been made through the travel company.

Sue Sinclair (432-3428) upnative1979@yahoo.com
Cheryl Jeffers (327-8248) dennischeryl1@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

BCCWC BOOK CLUB



Monday, **May 1**, we meet at 1:00 PM at the Kress Family Library in De Pere. The book is "All the Stars in the Heavens" by Adriana Trigiani. Kay Adams is the discussion leader. SUMMARY: This novel is based on the life of Loretta Young. It is filled with the signature items, family ties, artistry, romance, and adventure.

Sister Alda Ducci has been forced to leave the convent and becomes Loretta's secretary. They form an enduring bond of love and loyalty by facing great obstacles. Trigiani paints a rich historical landscape of the 1930's during the golden age of American movie making.

This is our last Book Club meeting until next September. Book Club is open to all BCCWC members. You may come to every discussion, or you may come whenever time allows. Our leaders plan interesting questions which lead to thoughtful idea exchanges in conversations. Each book is a source of pleasure with a variety of new or even different insights.

Kay Adams, Chair (336-5321) pepperkayadams@hotmail.com

COMMUNICATION

BCCWC VOLUNTEER/SERVICE HOURS REPORT



A reminder to all members - In order to maintain our 501(c) (3) tax exemption, we need to report the number of hours we spend on behalf of the BCCWC during the fiscal year (July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017). All your time counts: travel time, committee work, sewing, weeding, etc.

Look at the form on page 11 in your Directory or the form on the BCCWC website:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/764260654/reporting%2Bcommunity%2Bservice%2Bhours.pdf>

That will remind you of the things you did so you can add up your hours. You don't need to submit the form - we only need to know the total hours.

Please report that information to Jacquie Murphy by mid-June by phone, email or snail mail. Thanks for all that you do!

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Yours in fellowship, fun, and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Linda Curl, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team
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