



Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.  
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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

AUGUST 2017

As I begin my term as BCCWC President, I want to welcome back returning members and new members who have chosen to be part of this terrific organization for another year! I am honored to serve as your president and know that I cannot and will not be doing this job alone. There are 24 other talented women who sit on the Board of Directors and are dedicated to making this the great club it has become.

We, along with all of you, will be working hard to continue the successes of past years. Speaking of successes, this year we were able to give away a total of \$42,050 to various organizations in our community because of your many talents and countless volunteer hours to various club projects and fundraising events! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Since the beginning of BCCWC, in March 2008, we have given away a grand total of **\$297,368** in community award donations. Now, that is truly AMAZING! We should all be very proud of these efforts and strive to continue to benefit the lives of so many people in our communities.

Thanks so much for all you do! I look forward to working with you in 2017-18!

Helene Rosner, President, 2017-18



## MEMBERSHIP



If you submitted your renewal before July 1, you'll find your name printed in the 2017-18 directory. If you meant to renew but haven't done so yet, please do so as soon as possible. You'll find the membership form on the first page of the website. You can also access it here:

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

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## **MEETINGS REMINDER**



**BCCWC 2017 Kick-off Luncheon and Meeting - Wednesday, September 20**  
at Rock Garden Grand Ballroom South - 1951 Bond St. Green Bay, WI.  
Social-11:00 AM, Lunch-12:00 PM, Entertainment-1:00 PM, Meeting-1:30 PM  
**Reservations are due by Thursday, September 7** to Dolly Martin. You can  
find the reservation form on the website under the tab "Monthly Meetings", or  
click here:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/766256425/Luncheon+Reservation+Sept.+20%2C+2017+bw.pdf>

Steve Schultz will entertain us with his Las Vegas Review of Solid Gold Tunes.  
Hope to see you there!

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### COMMUNITY AWARDS - BCCWC RECIPIENT ORGANIZATIONS

The board met in June to determine recipients of community grants. BCCWC was able to donate more than \$42,000 to 50 different organizations. You'll find the list of recipients in the 2017-18 directory.

### KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN



August is here. We gardeners have completed over half of our scheduled gardening dates for the season at the Kress Library Garden. With all the rain and sunshine the garden has been awash with flowers and color. We planted many flowers along with four new bushes this year: two blue hydrangeas by the front door, one

white flowering potentilla by the stairs and one yellow flowering potentilla by a bench. Though we have been small in numbers volunteering at the garden, we have made and kept it a beautiful show place for the community. Please stop in to enjoy it!



We will be volunteering at the garden again on **Tuesday, August 22**. Anyone is welcome to give whatever time you can and then, if possible, please join us for a treat and fellowship at a local restaurant.

Mae Rohde, Chair (336-3092) (370-0285cell) [Rohmh7@gmail.com](mailto:Rohmh7@gmail.com)

## NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT - "SPECIAL SPACES"



Final details of our Special Spaces project are being developed. BCCWC will be sponsoring a "dream bedroom" in October for a child with a life-threatening illness. There will be a meeting with the family in August.

Watch for future details in the September and October newsletters and for sign-up sheets at the BCCWC meetings. Please consider sharing your time, talent, and interests for this rewarding program. Call or email for more information or go to YouTube.com and enter "special spaces green bay wi" to see how this program works. A BCCWC co-chair is needed.

Kathy Aicher (465-1600) [kaicher@new.rr.com](mailto:kaicher@new.rr.com)

## CHRISTMAS FAMILY PROJECT

Just a reminder for all to be looking for families that you think could use a little help this Christmas. Our committee does like to hear if any of our members have a special family they would like our club to help.

 We need the information no later than August of 2017.

Contact either: Judy Rankin, Jean Brosteau or Darlene Rohm. All we need from our member is the first names of all in the family, ages, sex and 3-5 suggestions for gifts for each person.

We will keep everything else confidential ...even the person suggesting the family if so desired. We like having your input.



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P.S. This surprise letter arrived in early June, 2017, from a social worker at Chappell School

*A visitor came to our school this morning. She was the mother of a student here who received Christmas gifts from your program.*

*I did not know why she was stopping in. I had not seen her lately so I was nervous when the secretary called me and said she was here and needed to talk with me. I was thinking "oh no - it is the end of the year - I wonder what has happened."*

*She sat down in a chair and said that the only reason she was here was to tell me what a "spectacular" Christmas her children had because of the gifts received. She said she was overwhelmed with all of the wonderful gifts that were given to her and her children and that without those gifts her children would have had nothing for Christmas and it would have been horrible. She said 3 times how wonderful their Christmas turned out to be and how much she wanted to thank me and our school and the donors!*

*I have never before had a parent come in at the end of the year to thank us for the gifts they received at Christmas. What a great way to end our school year. ---*

## BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Six families appreciated the quilts given to each of them at the June 8 Habitat for Humanity dedications. Thirteen lap-sized quilts presented to Habitat for Humanity families since February, 2016 represent approximately 800 volunteer hours. Each quilter pays for her own materials averaging \$50 a quilt. Our anonymous long-arm quilter, who charges nothing, machine quilts each quilt. That donation is worth approximately \$100/quilt.



*BCCWC quilters are engaged in a labor of love for Habitat for Humanity families and our community.*



*One of the happy recipients of a quilt - June 8, 2017.*

In 2016, Thrivent Financial contributed \$500 for purchase of batting and one BCCWC member donated \$25 for ribbon for tying the completed quilts. Eight quilts have already been promised for 2018. Our quilters are awesome! The next dedication will be held **August 24** at 5:30 PM for the 6 members of the Garcia Family, whose home is located at 535 Elizabeth Street in Green Bay. Join the BCCWC quilters by contacting:

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## CHRISTMAS TREE JUBILEE



Would you be interested in decorating a Christmas tree for a gala benefit? Connect, Inc., (a cancer advocate service), is holding its fourth annual Christmas Tree Jubilee in November .

Participating organizations will design and decorate pre-lit trees provided by Connect, Inc. The trees will be auctioned off that evening to various businesses. The funds will be used to support families that are dealing with cancer.

To get an explanation of the event and a glimpse of some of the trees, check out this website: <http://www.connectcancer.org/#!/projects/c21kz>

The committee needs volunteers who love decorating and have ideas for this year's tree. If you are interested, join the jolly group. Contact Margy Hamilton who has volunteered to head up the committee for BCCWC. Meetings will resume in September. Looking for inspiration and ideas? Hallmark shows Christmas ideas on [www.hallmarkchannel.com/home-and-family/how-to](http://www.hallmarkchannel.com/home-and-family/how-to).

Chair Margy Hamilton (920-367-4040) [moogy1@yahoo.com](mailto:moogy1@yahoo.com)

## ONE STITCH AT A TIME



With hot summer days upon us it is difficult to think about blankets, but it is a great time to look for clearance items that will be so appreciated this fall when chilly nights will be the norm. We will be collecting blankets for One Stitch at a Time in October instead of November this year and that is only a few months away.

If you have any questions please call Pat Hearnden at 432-5817 or Jean Allgeyer at 639-2980

## FUNDRAISING

Or as we like to call it, "fun....raising..."

Beezie MacNeil did a fantastic job as co-director of Fundraising last year ! She was awesome with the Dr. Surrell luncheon, book sales, LaJava, Pizza Ranch and much more ! Our new co-director for this year is Gloria LaViolette.. Welcome Gloria !

Look for a new Surprise Raffle this year. Also look for our summary of income from last year's fundraisers in the September issue.

A \$60 donation was made to BCCWC in honor of Kathy Heyroth's 80th birthday - what a great way to honor people and support our club at the same time!

If you have suggestions or ideas for fundraisers PLEASE let us know. We will look into all ideas.

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## FALL CARD & GAME DAY PARTY



Time to mark your calendars for our BCCWC Fall Card & Game Day

**Wednesday, October 25, 2017** at Thornberry Creek!

This party promises to be one of the best ever with Basket Raffles, 50/50 Raffle, Ornament Sale and a large selection of **wonderful** items on our Silent Auction.



And let's not forget the mouth-watering goodies from the Yum Yum shop

You won't want to miss out on this day of fun and friendship.

Get your registration form in now!

[http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/766256411/FALL+Cd\\_GmDay%2COct%2C2017regFINALpdf.pdf](http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/766256411/FALL+Cd_GmDay%2COct%2C2017regFINALpdf.pdf)

Gloria Jonet (468-8682) [gloriajonet@yahoo.com](mailto:gloriajonet@yahoo.com)

## BCCWC ANNUAL GOLF OUTING 2017



We had a beautiful day for our annual BCCWC golf outing at Mid-Vallee golf course on June 12, 2017. There were 81 golfers and 22 bridge players. Through their generosity, the event again netted its largest profit to date. There were 10 raffle baskets and 6 silent auction items and a 50/50 raffle. A taco bar buffet and cheesecake dessert table were enjoyed by all.

Thank you to all who participated! Mark your calendars now for next year's outing on **June 11, 2018**. A HUGE thank you to the committee for their guidance to the Golf Outing Chair.

Terry Jeffers, Chair (606-2470) [tjeffers138@att.net](mailto:tjeffers138@att.net)

## **FELLOWSHIP**

### GIRLS NIGHT OUT - Fall Planting Class at Mayflower Greenhouse



*Betty Deneys and Jackie Nuthals show off their fun containers from last year.*

It may be the dog days of summer now, but fall will soon be in the air. Join other BCCWC members and their guests for a fun and productive evening at Mayflower Greenhouse on **Thursday, September 21** at 6:00 PM. You'll create a fabulous fall plant container and have fun with your friends at the same time.

Bring your own container or purchase one there. Fee is non-refundable, but will be applied to whatever plants you purchase that night. Click on this link

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/766256400/Mayflower+fall+planting+class.pdf>

for the registration form, or find it on the website under the fellowship tab.

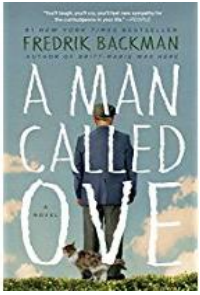
Nancy Daniels, (499-4995) [danielsna@aol.com](mailto:danielsna@aol.com)

## BCCWC BOOK CLUB

The first meeting of the BCCWC Book Club will be **Tuesday, September 5**, at 1:00 PM at the home of Kay Adams, 703 Ridgeway Blvd., De Pere. We meet on the grapevine covered back porch. The theme is "Share a Favorite Summer Book" ... along with a "Glass of Wine." Each member gives a short summary of her favorite book. They are always delightful! A list of all the book ideas is compiled and sent to everyone. New ideas blossom for our reading pleasure.

LOOKING AHEAD: **OCTOBER 2**, our book is "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrik Blackman.

SUMMARY: In this best selling and delightfully quirky debut novel from Sweden, a grumpy yet lovable man finds his solitary world turned on its head when a boisterous young family moves in next door. Behind Ove's cranky exterior there is sadness and a story to unfold, a comical and



heartwarming tale of a scraggly cat, unexpected friendship and the ancient art of backing up a U-haul. This novel is a fuzzy crowd pleaser that serves up laughs to accompany a thoughtful reflection on love and loss. Marge Bork will be discussion leader.

The BCCWC BOOK SCHEDULE for September 2017-May 2018 can be found online in the Kress Family Library Calendar, on the BCCWC Web site, Fellowship Page, and in the BCCWC Directory and Program for 2017 - 2018.

Book Club is open to the public. Members are encouraged to bring friends, family members or neighbors. You may come to every discussion, or you may come whenever time allows. Most of our meetings are held at the Kress Family Library in De Pere.

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### **FURTHER FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES**

*The 2017-18 calendar year brings new activities and twists on things that were begun in previous years. Here's a preview of some of the things to come. Please note carefully the time and location of events that have been set thus far. (Game/Cards day and book club continue as usual.) Additional activities will be announced throughout the year. Plan ahead and stay tuned!*

### **Monthly Activities:**

- Book Club, First Monday of the month @ Kress Family Library. Kay Adams is chair.
- Card/Game Day will be the Second Wednesday of the month in the lower level of the De Pere Community Center. **1:00—4:00 PM**. Gather your friends and cards, dominoes or other games for a fun afternoon!
- Movie & a Bite to Eat: Watch a **4:00 PM** movie & then grab a bite to eat. Last Tuesday of the month. Bay Park Cinema.

### **New this Year:**

- MahJongg lessons will be taught on **September 27, October 4 and October 11** at the De Pere Community Center. **1:00—3:00 PM**. Limit: 12. Please commit to all three sessions if you sign up. While it seems "Greek" at first, it's an ancient Chinese game that is quite fun once you get the hang of it. It takes time. Sign up by emailing or calling Sue Sinclair by **September 15**. (Class might be repeated if there's enough interest.)



- **Create a Mesh Wreath (Registration with details is found on the website, due Nov 1).**
  - **Nov. 10, 10 AM –12 noon** (Bay Family Restaurant, back room)  
Come for breakfast before or stay for lunch!



Materials: (Found at Hobby Lobby, Stein, WalMart, JoAnn's, Michaels, Dollar Store, etc.)

- 1 2 or 3-tiered metal ring/frame with pipe cleaners attached (or buy a bag of pipe cleaners if ring/frame doesn't have them)
- 1 roll of 10 inch by 10 yards mesh ribbon
- Other ribbon or adornments as you prefer
- Scissors and a 10" measuring guide/ruler



**Wine Tasting at Mona Rose on Packerland Drive is scheduled for Thursday, February 8, at 4:00 PM.** Details to follow!

- A cooking class will be scheduled after the holidays. Stay tuned!

**Back by popular demand! Decorated Silverware!**



We will decorate silverware (serving pieces or appetizer utensils). **Thursday, October 5,** at the **Bay Family Restaurant in the back room near the motel.** Let's meet for lunch and then Rita Dufour will lead us in decorating any serving utensil you'd like to embellish with beads and/or buttons. Just bring what you'd like to work on, and she will help you create a one-of-a-kind gift for either yourself or a friend or a relative. **Cost: \$5** (This class will be repeated on **Thursday, November 10,** from 1:30–3:30.)

- **Registration Due: October 5** (mail check payable to Sue Sinclair or sign up and pay at September meeting). We need 10 paid participants for this workshop to be held. Maximum: 15 (Registration form can be found on BCCWC website.)
- Purchase silverware at a rummage sale, Bed, Bath & Beyond, TJ Maxx, Costco. Pieces should have a flat handle for ease of decorating.
- Purchase beads and buttons and other adornments (must be able to thread on fine wire) at either JoAnnes, Michaels, other beading places. Vary the sizes for added interest.
- Please bring a needle-nose pliers if you have one.
- Lunch: **Noon.** Project begins at 1:00 PM



**Reminder:** BCCWC members are invited to attend the Fireside Christmas Show on **Sunday, November 12**. Contact Phyllis at J & J Travelers for details. (920-498-1207)  
[www.jjtravelers.com](http://www.jjtravelers.com)

If anyone has a fun activity they'd like to suggest and chair, just talk to Sue or Bonnie.

*Cheers to another year of fun and fellowship with the wonderful women of BCCWC !*

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## **COMMUNICATIONS**

### **BCCWC DIRECTORY**

The 2017-18 BCCWC directories will be distributed at club events in August, September and October (bridge gatherings, September luncheon, October general meeting). Please look for yours when you attend one of these functions. If you are not at any of these events, a friend can pick yours up for you. Any directories still here after the October 18 meeting will be mailed.

**Note:** Directories will be available to those who had renewed their membership by early July. If you renewed your membership after that, you won't be listed in the directory, and you'll get your directory from Membership Co-Chairs Betty Jensen and Kathy Belschner, or Communications Co-Chairs Lizz Jayne and Nancy Daniels.

Yours in fellowship, fun, and community good works,  
Kathy Szymanski and Linda Curl, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team

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