



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

March is here - as winter wanes and the first day of spring arrives, we can hopefully look forward to warmer weather. There are several noteworthy days that bring with them some uplifting thoughts: St. Patrick's Day (you can celebrate this day even if you aren't Irish!) and Daylight Savings (more daylight hours always seem to make everyone feel more energetic!). This month can also be an occasion to refresh our souls with the beginning of Lent and is the time we start renewing our memberships as the 2019-20 membership campaign begins.

We can also celebrate our "telephones" as March is the month the phone was first patented and is also the birth month of its inventor, Alexander Graham Bell. Now, what would we do without that device, especially the cellphone, in this day and age??!! I personally love it because it is the most efficient way to communicate with my grandchildren ("texting and Instagraming" is their norm!). Speaking of phones, please support the members of our club who will be taking phone calls and pledges at the CP Telethon on Sunday, March 3, from 8:00 to 9:00 AM. Our fantastic Community Service directors, Sherry Campbell, Mary Jo Rod, and Carol De Grand, have embraced this cause and the opportunity to help another non-profit in our community by getting this activity set up with the CP Center. When you turn on your TV Sunday morning, you will see 13 BCCWC members waiting for you or your family/friend's phone calls and pledges. Please support this effort!

As we begin the third part of our club's fiscal year, we are working hard to increase our treasury in order to be able to give needed dollars to non-profit organizations in Brown County. You will soon have an opportunity to request awards for your favorite or most needy non-profit in the area. The BCCWC Community Contribution Award Request form is under the Fundraising tab on our website and needs to be completed and returned to Pam Girtz by May 31, 2019.

Thank you again for all that you do to make BCCWC so successful. I am impressed by all the activities we have happening and the overwhelming involvement by our members. We are certainly living up to our motto - "If everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot."

Helene Rosner, President 2018-19

MEMBERSHIP



BCCWC welcomed two new members in February:

♣ Pat McKloskey & Laurey Clampitt

This brings our membership total to 292 members.

It's time to renew your membership for year 2019-2020. Find the link to the membership renewal form on the www.BCCWC.org home page. Membership forms will also be available at monthly meetings.

If you have moved, changed your email address, changed your phone number, ANY CHANGES, please circle or highlight the changed information on your renewal form. We don't want to miss any important information and circling or highlighting would help a lot. Also, please send in the entire form. We file these and it is easier if we have the whole page. Only one member per form, please!

Mail your membership form to Kathy Belschner. Her address is on the form. Do not mail to the PO Box. It will be received and processed more quickly if mailed to Kathy.

Kathy Belschner (660-2705) <u>belschnerk@yahoo.com</u>
Betty Jensen (770-6642) <u>bettyjensen48@gmail.com</u>
Pat Syring (494-0010) <u>lsyring1955@hotmail.com</u>, Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

We had 75 ladies at our February meeting (71 members and 4 guests). Our guest speaker was Pam Buergi, Coordinator of the Joint & Spine Department at St. Mary's Hospital. She gave our group valuable information increasing our awareness of arthritis/back and joint pain. Thank you to the February Committee for the beautiful Valentine decorations and delicious food served to members and guests.

Program/Social Committee is in the process of planning the 2019-2020 schedule. The sign-up board is now available for members to sign up for one of the months. We are in need of TWO Co-Chairs and EIGHT to TEN committee members for each month. This includes the following months: September Luncheon, October, November, December Luncheon, January, February, March, April and May Luncheon. "IF EVERYONE DOES A LITTLE, NO ONE HAS TO DO A LOT."

Next BCCWC MEETING:

Wednesday, March 20 - De Pere Community Center - 600 Grant St.

Social: 12:15 PM Program: 1:00 PM Meeting: 1:30 PM



March meeting guest speaker is being presented by our own very talented BCCWC member **Jeanne Lefebvre**. Jeanne will be giving us a taste of notable Irish Poets and Authors presented by various club members, as well as some beautiful Irish songs that we will all be able to join in singing.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY - Gardens at Kress Library



Are you good at organizing small groups? Are you interested in gardening? The current chair of organizing the gardeners for Kress Library in De Pere is interested in having a co-chair this season to mentor with the intent of that person taking over the duties as chair of the committee next year. For those of you new to our club, our faithful "Kress gardeners" plant and maintain flowers

and bushes outside the Kress Library in De Pere from April to October every year.

For a complete description of duties, please contact Mae Rhode who has chaired this project for the last seven years: Mae Rohde (336-3092 or 370-0285 cell) Rohmh7@gmail.com.

Sherry Campbell, Community Service Co-Director

<u>CEREBRAL PALSY TELETHON</u> - Please Pledge to the BCCWC Cerebral Palsy VIP's

On Sunday, March 3, from 8:00-9:00 AM, several BCCWC members will be on the WBAY VIP panel for the CP Telethon. We are excited to represent our group for such a wonderful cause. All of the money pledged to the telethon during our VIP time remains in Brown County and provides day care, adult education, therapy and aquatics for individuals with CP or special needs. Below are the telephone numbers assigned to BCCWC.

Please consider making a donation and give us a call on Sunday.

| 920-272-5002 | Lynn | Arnesen | BCCWC |
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| 920-272-5004 | Nancy | Brown | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5006 | Sherry | Campbell | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5008 | Chris | Carson | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5010 | Patricia | Derozier | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5012 | Dianne | Froelich | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5014 | Mary Anne | Froelich | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5016 | Carey | Lheureux | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5018 | Betty | Jensen | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5020 | Bonnie | Zima | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5022 | Elaine | Klopstein | BCCWC |
| 920-272-5026 | Mary Jo | Rod | BCCWC |

Sherry Campbell (680-0778) sherrysuej@new.rr.com Mary Jo Rod (499-3482) maryjorod11@gmail.com, Co- Chairs

ST. JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER



We will be serving a meal at the Homeless Shelter on Thursday, March 7.

We still need:

- ❖ ONE SERVER
- ❖ 4 LASAGNAS
- 2 LARGE VEGETABLES
- 1 LARGE SALAD with dressing
- ❖ 6 GARLIC BREADS (3 donors/two each)
- ❖ 1 LARGE SUGARLESS JELLO

Please contact Mary Kay Paulson if you can help out.

Thank you to all of you who have already signed up. Try to have your food at the Shelter by 5:30 PM. Our meal is so appreciated by the guests and staff at the Shelter.

Mary Kay Paulson (632-7473) mkpaulson@aol.com Mary Krautkramer (336-0198), Co-Chairs

FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEON - Spring Buffet and Bingo



Thank you to all members who volunteered for the Fort Howard Apartments buffet and bingo. The residents are looking forward to the St. Patrick's event on Thursday, March 14, at Fort Howard Apartments, 141 N. Chestnut Avenue, Green Bay. Please note the schedule:

- > 10:30 Set up tables and centerpieces
- > 11:30 Member picture
- > 12:00 Serve beverages and assist residents at the buffet tables
- > 12:45 Bingo and clean up
- √ 2:00 Finished

Thank you for the gift of time and goodies for these senior citizens. Questions?

Sherry Campbell (680-0778) <u>sherrysuej@new.rr.com</u>
Cathy Green (676-4665) <u>cgreen1171@gmail.com</u>, Co-Chairs

ONE STITCH AT A TIME



This cold weather is a perfect time to work on your blanket project. We'll be collecting blankets of any size or color at the May meeting. Knit, crochet, sew, tie or purchase. We love them all. We also appreciate your donations of yarn. Think Spring!

Pat Hearden (432-5871) phearden@aol.com Jean Allgeyer (639-2980) <a href="mailto:jmailto

WELLSPRING - March Collection



Our next Wellspring collection will take place at our March 20 meeting. Wellspring is in need of condiments, specifically regular size salad dressings, Miracle Whip, and mayonnaise as well as sugar. We will have a table for these Wellspring donations. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

We will also be packing Ziplock bags with hygiene items which we have purchased with our BCCWC grant for the guests at Wellspring. <u>If you have volunteered to help pack the bags, we will meet before the meeting on March 20 at 10:30 AM</u>. We appreciate your assistance.

Susan Regnier (499-8897), <u>skr117@hotmail.com</u> Kathy DeBroux (660-7921) <u>debrouxkathy@new.rr.com</u>, Co-Chairs

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Due to frigid temperatures, icy roads and snow, the February 7 dedication was canceled. Habitat for Humanity staff will let us know when it is rescheduled.

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As you can see by the accompanying photo, the weather isn't affecting our Quilters' creativity.

For more information about Building Quilts for Habitat for Humanity, contact:

Mary Schrickel (609-4651) <u>mary_habitat@hotmail.com</u> Gina Reinardy (664-6501) <u>gina.reinardy@gmail.com</u>, Co-Chairs

PET THERAPY

The weather made our February visit a little more challenging! But, when all was said and done, it turned out perfect. Carrington Manor is such a nice place to visit; Louie, Layla, Bonnie, and Carol all enjoyed the visit. If you have a friendly dog, or even if you don't have a dog, maybe you would like to join the small group that meets to add cheer to the residents ...and bring a smile to your face as well.

There will no Pet Therapy in March or April, but you will be notified of our dates in May. Come join us if you would like a few smiles and warm feelings.

Pet Therapy provides a way for visitors to bring smiles to the faces of many who look forward to seeing a dog and telling their stories to you about dogs they have had.

Julie Salemi (621-3954) Carol Lom (503-0015), Co-Chairs

HOUSE OF HOPE - BIRTHDAY CAKE for Children



One little girl was all smiles because she celebrated her February birthday with cake and ice cream! A big thank you to the volunteer(s) who provide this celebration every month at the shelter for moms and their children! We DO make an impact in our Community!

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

If you would like to be a part of this caring group, please e-mail Kay for details. It's easy and fun!

Kay Barlament <u>kay.barlament@gmail.com</u>, Chair

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising Results - February 20 general membership meeting:



- 50/50 Raffle \$67 Congratulations to winner, Judy Trimberger
- Surprise Raffle \$65 Sharon Hartwell won a necklace and earrings
- ♣ Book for a Buck \$15
- ♣ BCCWC Bags \$10 The bags have now all been sold
- ♣ Cigar Box sales \$20
- ♣ PDQ car wash sales \$168 minus expenses
- ↓ Luna Coffee sold 3 bags of coffee for a profit of \$15

Thanks so much to everyone who contributed to these fundraising efforts. You are all very much appreciated.

Sue Protzman, Lynette Van Den Heuvel and Bonnie Christiansen, Fundraising Co-Directors

LUNA COFFEE - PDQ CAR WASH



Just a reminder that Luna Coffee (\$12) and PDQ full-service car washes (\$21) will be available at our March 20 and April 17 meetings. You may also order directly from Lynette should you be not attending the meetings.



Thank you for your support on these fundraisers.

Lynette Van Den Heuvel (336-1583), Chair

RESTAURANT DAYS

PIZZA RANCH fundraiser - Monday, April 1 - 4:00-8:00 PM 2206 Main Street (close to East Town Mall)

Pizza Ranch partners and donates to nonprofit organizations, giving 10% of sales and all tips. Please come and enjoy their delicious buffet. We need 6-8 volunteers for 2-hour

shifts (4:00-6:00, 6:00-8:00) which involves clearing tables and some cleanup. Please wear closed toe shoes and socks. Contact Mary Ortmayer if you can help.

Pizza Ranch has been very supportive of our organization in the past. Let's have a great turnout.

Mary Ortmayer (676-5903) maryortmayer@gmail.com, Chair

BCCWC GOLF OUTING - Mark Your Calendars!



The 2019 BCCWC golf outing will be held Monday, June 10, at Mid-Vallee Golf Course. This annual fundraiser is for golfers as well as non-golfers who want to play bridge or other games and then join the golfers for the famous taco bar lunch. Save the date and plan on joining this fun event. More info will follow in the April newsletter.

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

DONATE A BUCK, GET A BOOK



Thanks to all for all your donations, despite the weather. Remember to bring books only to our monthly meetings and take back whatever books you brought that weren't taken. You are much appreciated!

Stay cozy and warm. Spring is just around the corner??? Betty De Grave (845-9061) ejdegrave@outlook.com, Chair

SPRING CARD AND GAME DAY PARTY



Mark your calendar for our Spring Card and Game Day Party Wednesday, May 1, at Thornberry Creek Cards....Games.....Raffles.....Fun......Food......Friendship.....Yum Yum Shoppe

It's never too early to get your registration forms in!! http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/767626804/2019+Spring+CdGm+Day+flyer_FINALpdf.pdf

> Gloria Jonet (468-8682) gloriajonet@yahoo.com Sue Protzman (498-0528), Co-Chairs

FELLOWSHIP

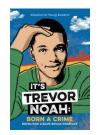
BCCWC BOOK CLUB

DATE: Monday, March 4 TIME: 1:00 PM PLACE: Kress Family Library, De Pere

Book: Chief Joseph and the Flight of the Nez Perce by Kent Nerburn

Discussion leader: Mary Schall

April 1, Monday, at 1:00 PM, Barbara Stoll will lead the discussion of Born a Crime by George Saunders.



SUMMARY: Trevor Noah's unlikely path from apartheid South Africa to the desk of The Daily Show began with the criminal act: his birth. Trevor was born to a white Swiss father and a black Xhosa mother at a time when such a union was punishable by five years in prison, living proof of his parent's indiscretion. Trevor was mostly indoors for the early years of his life, bound by the extreme and often absurd measures his mother took to hide him. The government could, at any moment, steal him away. Finally liberated from tyrannical white rule, Trevor and his mother set forth on a grand adventure, living openly and freely. They embraced opportunities won by centuries-long struggle.

This is a story of a mischievous young boy who grows up into a restless young man struggling to find himself in a world where he was never supposed to exist. It is also about his relationship with his fearless, rebellious, and fervently religious mother.

The eighteen personal essays are by turns hilarious, dramatic and deeply affecting. Trevor illuminates his curious world with an incisive wit and unflinching honesty. He makes his way through a damaged world in a dangerous time, armed only with a keen sense of humor and a mother's unconventional and unconditional love.

New friends are welcome. Every book is uniquely interesting. Leaders create times for digging deeper into the content and also listening to each other's ideas.

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

FURTHER FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES



The Fellowship Committee has expanded! We welcome Kathy Aicher, Lynn Arenesen, Mary Anne Froelich, Ellen Greene, Jane Klozotsky, and Carey Lhereux to the committee. After meeting once, we came up with many fun ideas for club members to enjoy after all the hard work they do in the multiple service projects that BCCWC supports. Share your ideas and thoughts with any committee.

- Book Club blurb from Kay Adams
- Let's be spontaneous: Members are gathering at the Northland Hotel for a tour and lunch on Friday, March 1. Email Mary Anne Froelich @ mominmadrid@hotmail.com if you can make it. The tour is set for 10:00 AM with lunch following. If there is interest, another day might be scheduled.
- Second Wednesday Game/Cards Day: Wednesday, March 13—wear green!
 - o De Pere Community Center, lounge in lower level, 1:00-4:00 PM
 - Mahjong and other games can be played
 - Please let Sue know by March 10 if you plan to play Mahjong so we have enough players and kits.
- Mark Your Calendar:
 - April 24 (date/time change) tour the Shrine of Good Hope in Champion; get a burger at Joe Rouer's afterwards.
 - Meet at the Shrine at 10:00 AM. Diane Froelich will be our personal tour guide.
 - Register by emailing Sue or signing up at the monthly meeting.
- Shop Broadway Thursday, May 9, from 4:00-7:00 PM with wine and cheese at The Wild Ginger to wind up the evening. Perhaps pizza at The Glass Nickel afterwards? Stay tuned for details. Sign up at the monthly meetings or email Sue.

Sue Sinclair (432-3428) <u>upnative1979@yahoo.com</u> Bonnie Lemense (434-1258) <u>bonnleme@att.net</u>, Fellowship Co-Directors

COMMUNICATIONS

MISPLACED BINDER



We have misplaced the white Food Pantry binder that contains the reports and information. If you happen to have it, please bring it to the March meeting. Thank you.

Mary Jo Rod (499-3482)



Sunday, March 10, 2019 - 2:00 AM

Yours in fellowship, fun, and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Linda Curl, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc. www.bccwc.org