



Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.  
P.O. Box 28216, Green Bay, WI 54324



2019

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As I was thinking about what to include in my final newsletter article, it came to me that the past two years have been an amazing ride! The opportunity to serve the club as president has been humbling, overwhelming at times, fun, a learning experience, and whatever adjective comes with an adventure where an amazing group of women are working for a common cause.

I have had the privilege of being mentored by past presidents and other club officers as well as working with an awesome board of directors. Everyone feels the passion that the BCCWC has for achieving our mission of providing charitable, educational, and cultural services to the community. All being accomplished while having a good time along the way!

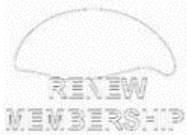
Thank you to everyone who has made my job easier by stepping up when we needed you, going above and beyond when you took on a project, and all those who did their share to make this organization so successful year after year. You truly understand and live our motto - "if everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot." No one can achieve success in isolation and the success our club has experienced is truly the work of all! Continue on with whatever talents you can contribute to the club and I will be right there with you, in the trenches working to make a positive impact on the lives of others.

I so want you to know that your support and friendliness has overwhelmed me and I feel very blessed to have met so many wonderful women these past two years. As I move on to help the club in other ways, please know that you are truly appreciated!! Thanks again for all you do! It has been a pleasure and privilege to have served as your president. Have a great summer!!

Helene Rosner, President 2018-19

### MEMBERSHIP

There are no new members to welcome in May, however, BCCWC gained nine new members since the beginning of the year. We now have 301 members!



There are 61 members who have not renewed. The deadline for renewing and getting your information in the directory is **June 1**. We can give you a few extra days, so please do it now. Find the membership renewal form link on the [www.BCCWC.org](http://www.BCCWC.org) home page.

*Let's all get our renewals in so they will be published in the directory.*

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## **MEETINGS REMINDER**

BCCWC Spring Luncheon held at the Bemis Center on the campus of St. Norbert College had 139 ladies attending. The service was excellent - hats off to the chef and management for a job well done! The 30 members of the WPS Chorus serenaded us with their beautiful vocal ensemble selections.



- ✓ No general membership meetings in June, July or August.
- ✓ The board of directors will meet next on **June 19** at Mackinaw's. Both the new and outgoing officers will be present, and the Community Awards will be determined.
- ✓ Next fall's kick-off luncheon is **September 18, 2019**, at Rock Garden, 1951 Bond St., Green Bay. Entertainment will be singer (tenor) R. Stuart Mitchell. **THIS LUNCHEON IS OPEN TO GUESTS.** Registration forms will be available on our website in August.

Enjoy your Summer!

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **COMMUNITY AWARDS - BCCWC RECIPIENT ORGANIZATIONS**

The board will be meeting in June to determine recipients of community grants for this year. Watch for the list of recipients in the 2019-20 directory.

### **KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN**



On May 7 there was a full crew of volunteers to wake the Kress Library Garden. Our main goal was to freshen up the garden from a long winter and spring of neglect. All dead material was cleaned up and the mulch raked to give it a fresh appearance. Some trimming was done. The roses were fertilized and trimmed back. We accomplished all this in one and one-half hours. We then went for more fellowship and a brunch/treat at a local restaurant. A very successful morning to start off the gardening season!

On Wednesday, May 29, the planting of flowers took place. The plant material was purchased from different local garden centers along with two new pots and soil. The garden will soon be green and colorful for all library visitors to enjoy. Those interested again went for fellowship at a local restaurant.

Gardening takes place next on **Thursday, June 20**, from 8:00 to 10:00 AM. Certainly, by then, the garden will need more trimming and weeding. Looking forward to tending to the garden with fellow gardeners. Any time given will be appreciated. If you have any questions, contact:

Mae Rohde (336-3092 or 370-0285) [rohmh7@gmail.com](mailto:rohmh7@gmail.com), Chair

## PET THERAPY - Pet Therapy for June is right around the corner!



We had a wonderful time at Allouez Parkside last month. It is always so rewarding to see everyone smile at the sight of a furry friend.

Next Pet Therapy is **June 24** at Carrington Manor, 2626 Finger Road at 10:30 AM. If you have a friendly dog, or even if you don't have a dog, you might like to join the small group meeting there to add cheer to the residents....and bring a smile to your face as well.

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 dog stories.

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

## ONE STITCH AT A TIME

Heartfelt thanks to all the wonderful and talented women who donated blankets at our semi-annual collection May 15. Forty-five blankets and an assortment of hats and scarves were collected and taken to Wellspring and the ever-expanding House of Hope. *This is the largest collection we have had at one time!* And the recipients were most appreciative.



Our next collection will be at the BCCWC meeting **October 16**. Handmade items are wonderful whether quilted, knit, crocheted or tied. Donated yarn is available to anyone who wants to make a blanket. Store bought items are appreciated as well. Thank you again for your generosity.

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Jean Allgeyer (639-2980) [jmallgeyer@msn.com](mailto:jmallgeyer@msn.com), Co-Chairs

## COMMUNITY SERVICE Thank You



As our BCCWC volunteer year comes to an end, we would like to thank all of our Co-Chairs and teams for another successful year. We appreciate all of your hard work and dedication to so many worthwhile projects. Because of your efforts, our community has greatly benefited. We are extremely proud to have had the privilege of working with all of you. What an amazing group you are!

We are looking forward to working with you again in the fall. Have a wonderful summer. You have earned it.

Sherry Campbell, Mary Jo Rod & Carol De Grand, Co-Directors

## BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



Quilt presenter & quilters  
– May Dedication



The Habane/Egeh family  
- Overjoyed to receive beautiful quilt from our club



Quilters' Meeting

*Join the BCCWC quilters by contacting:*

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Gina Reinardy (664-6501) [gina.reinardy@gmail.com](mailto:gina.reinardy@gmail.com), Co-Chairs

## **FUNDRAISING**

### **BRAT FRY - FESTIVAL FOODS IN SUAMICO**

Be sure to check out the BCCWC brat fry at Festival Foods in Suamico on **June 7 and 8**. Good food, good times, good cause. Hope to see you there!

Janice Heckert, Julie Hetzel, Lisa Neal, Co-Chairs

## BCCWC GOLF OUTING 2019 - Monday, June 10, Mid Vallee Golf Course



8:00 AM - Registration. Your entry fee covers bagels, coffee, water, famous taco bar lunch and door prizes, but you will pay \$21 greens and cart fee directly to Mid Vallee in the pro shop on the day of the event. There will be people in the parking area to help take your clubs to your assigned cart. After registration, enjoy bagels and coffee. Buy tickets for mulligans and strings to improve your "lie." Beautiful raffle baskets and silent auction items await you, as well as a 50/50 raffle. This is our last fundraiser of the year. *Enjoy yourself and please be generous and support our sponsors.*

9:00 AM - Shotgun tee-off. Make your way to your carts no later than 8:50 AM.

Noon: Lunch will be served. In case of rain, the luncheon will still go on. Feel free to bring cards or a game or just socialize.

Non-golfers: Arrive at your leisure. There will be plenty of bagels and coffee to enjoy, and the room will be set up for cards or games. If you are coming for lunch, plan to arrive by 11:30, when the golfers should be returning to the clubhouse. Make sure to give yourself enough time to check out the raffles, silent auction and buy your raffle and 50/50 tickets.

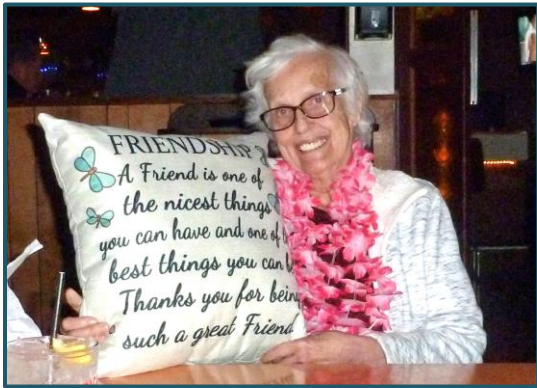
There is still room for more participants, so sign up and join the fun.

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



### BRIDGE MARATHONS

- Our 11 Bridge Marathon groups had 154 people participating this year, and these players have once again contributed nearly \$5,200 to the club's community award fund.
- Final scores and results for each group are available on our club website under Fundraisers and Bridge Marathons. *Congratulations to all the winners!*
- A delightful Bridge Banquet luncheon was held at the Green Bay Country Club in May. All players were presented with a surprise team photo for each group they are in. These photos were appreciated as a nice remembrance of another great year.
- We have all 11 groups in place to start the new 2019-20 season beginning in June 2019.
- Our bridge groups are all about having fun and continuing friendships while also supporting this great fundraiser for our club. If you are interested in being on any of the "wait lists" for these groups, please contact Carol Simpson via: [simpsoncj4310@gmail.com](mailto:simpsoncj4310@gmail.com)
- Thanks to everyone for your support and cooperation throughout the year to help make these groups happen. We look forward to another great BCCWC Bridge season in 2019-20!



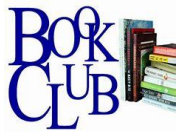
✚ Special tribute was given to our dear Bridge Teacher and Bridge Director, Dennie Nichols, at the recent spring luncheon. Dennie has moved to the Milwaukee area, and she will be greatly missed!

Carol Simpson, Anne Gollnick & Gloria Jonet, Co-Chairs

## **FELLOWSHIP**

### **BCCWC BOOK CLUB**

BCCWC Book Club meets again in fall with the following list chosen for 2019-2020:



September 9 - *Educated* by Tara Westover

October 7 - *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean

November 4 - *Faithful* by Alice Hoffman

December 2 - *My Grandmother Asked Me To Tell You She's Sorry* by Fredrik Backman

January 6 - *Map of the Heart* by Susan Wiggs

February 3 - *Transcription* by Kate Atkinson

March 2 - *The Life We Bury* by Allen Eskens

April 6 - *Eleanor Oliphant Is Completely Fine* by Gail Honeyman

May 4 - *Homecoming* by Yaa Gyasi

*Meetings are Mondays at 1:00 PM at the Kress Family Library in De Pere.*

The BCCWC Book Club is open to the public. Members are encouraged to bring friends, neighbors and family members.

Discussion leaders bring thoughtfully-prepared information and questions which create an interesting exchange of ideas. The books "come alive" and open us to a wide variety of authors and their writing styles. Thanks go to our monthly discussion leaders!

NOTE: *Mary Schall, long-time art teacher and avid reader of great books, has agreed to chair the BCCWC Book Club for the coming year.* It is time for me to "turn the page" to my many other interests and activities after five years. Contacts for Mary:

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Kay Adams (336-5321) [pepperkayadams@hotmail.com](mailto:pepperkayadams@hotmail.com), Chair

## FURTHER FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES



Thank you for your input and encouragement this past year. It's been a fun year as we visited IKEA and North Shore Mall in Milwaukee as well as the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion and tasted chocolates in Oshkosh. "Second Wednesday Cards & Games" turned into a day for Mahjong, and it will be renamed as "Mahjong Wednesday" next year. Other games are welcome, but Mahjong players were the consistent participants this year; hence, the title change.

The expanded committee continues to look for entertaining options for our hard-working club members to share as they unwind and relax together. A few things we are working on:

- a silk scarf-dyeing experience at Swanstone Gardens in October
- a trip to Fireside Theater in November for *A Christmas Story the Musical*

Check the August newsletter for details. Enjoy summer!

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## COMMUNICATIONS

### IN MEMORIAM



Bette Johnson passed away April 27, 2019, after a brief illness. Bette loved people and loved to entertain. In her memory, the BCCWC has donated a book to the Brown County Library, titled *A Taste of History* by Chef Walter Staib, who was a popular chef on PBS. The catalog number is 641.5973 Staib and will be placed at the Green Bay downtown library. The plate in the front of the book reads:

*In Memory of Bette Johnson 2019*  
- Donated by the Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.

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### BCCWC DIRECTORY

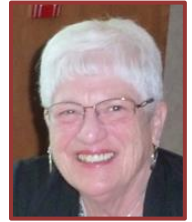


If you haven't already renewed your membership, please do so NOW so that you can be included in the 2018-19 directory. The directory is a very useful tool for you, made even more useful by having the most complete list of memberships.

Lizz Jayne & Nancy Daniels, Communications Co-Directors

## COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

A big thank you to *Mae McCartney*, who has worked behind the scenes on the communications team mailing out the newsletters to all who get them in paper form. Mae has quietly made sure that mailings have gone out promptly, even in the most inclement weather. Mae is leaving the team (at least for a while), and she will be missed.



And a big welcome to *Chris Rosera*, who has agreed to join the communications team as a board member. Chris will mail out the snail mail newsletters, check the website frequently to keep it up to date, and help proof the directory.

Both wonderful ladies truly personify our club motto  
- if everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot!

Lizz Jayne & Nancy Daniels, Communications Co-Directors

## 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, 2018 - June 30, 2019).



All of your time counts: travel time, committee work, sewing, weeding, etc. Look at the form in your directory or the form on the BCCWC website. That will remind you of the things you did so that 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 Jan Clark by mid-June by phone, email or snail mail.*

**The last day for return is June 29, no exceptions. The final report must be turned in by June 30.** Thanks for all that you do!

Jan Clark, Immediate Past President  
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## ATTENTION: E-MAIL SCAM



Recently someone posing as our president, Helene Rosner, sent an e-mail to some members of our club asking for their assistance and a request to e-mail them back. If you responded to this e-mail, you got a request to purchase Amazon gift cards for the club and then send along the gift card code and how you would like to get reimbursed (requesting banking information). If you responded to this second e-mail and gave out any of your personal information, please contact the Green Bay Police Department. Hopefully nobody responded to this imposter and followed any of the bogus instructions.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT BCCWC NEVER ASKS INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS TO MAKE PURCHASES FOR THE CLUB EITHER THROUGH E-MAIL OR PHONE CALLS. PLEASE NEVER RESPOND TO AN UNFAMILIAR E-MAIL REQUEST FROM A BCCWC MEMBER. THANK YOU.



## REMEMBER



No newsletter in July. Watch for your next newsletter in August.

*Have a nice summer!*

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.

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