



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

September 2020



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

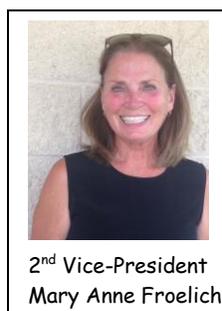
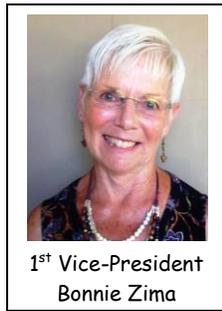
We are kicking off a new year of BCCWC activities and 2020-2021 is certainly going to be different for us.

Your Fundraising Directors are coming up with unique ways to raise money for our yearly Community Awards to non-profits in the area. Your Community Service Directors are working hard on ideas for continuing to serve the community. The Board will continue having meetings via ZOOM.

It is so important that you read your newsletters, peruse your directory, and check the BCCWC.org website for any updates. Although most of our plans are firmly in place through December, there may be changes. If you had some favorite projects that you enjoyed being involved in, you can probably still participate, just in a different way.

I hope you are staying healthy and finding ways to occupy your time while being at home. Now you have time to clean out those closets, garages, and basements. Start cooking again. Organize those photos. Finish knitting that sweater. Ha! Those were my plans. Do not ask me how it is going!

BCCWC 20-21 OFFICERS



President Betty Jensen accepts the gavel passed on by Past President Pam Girtz.

Stay Safe!
Betty Jensen, BCCWC President 2020-2021

MEMBERSHIP



Our BCCWC group now stands at 257 to begin the new year.

Those interested in joining or renewing will find a form on our website www.bccwc.org. If you are unable to print a form, please send your check along with your information to Pat Syring, 1955 Everbreeze Road, Green Bay, WI 54304. If renewing, please note any changes from last year.

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Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

Just a reminder that we will not be meeting in September due to social distancing guidelines. However, don't forget that there will be a food drive on that day (Sept 16) to benefit the St. Patrick Quad Parishes. You can drop off your donations in the upper parking lot at the De Pere Community Center from 10AM-noon.

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Program/Social Co-Directors

COMMUNITY SERVICE

FORT HOWARD APARTMENTS - Blessings Bags for Seniors

After meeting with the management and social worker at Fort Howard, we plan to distribute 100 small blessings bags filled with items useful for the residents. If you would like to participate, place your items in a sandwich bag or plastic store bag for collection at curbside at the De Pere Community Center on **October 21** from 10AM-noon.

The Chairs will use your bags, and put them into colorful, numbered blessings bags and deliver them on **November 4** to Fort Howard for the staff to distribute. Cash donations should be under \$10. If you can purchase more than one bag, or go in with another member, feel free.

This year we will not collect bingo items. We are hoping that members will donate three to five of the items. As with other collections, BCCWC members are not required to donate to this cause. Residents have had very few resources since March. Let us bring a smile to their faces.

Here is the list of desired items: masks, candy, stamps, gift-cards (Dollar General, Glass Nickel Pizza, Blackstone Restaurant, Subway) individually- wrapped tea or coffee (K-cups), tissues, hand sanitizer, quarters for laundry machines, pump hand soap, dishcloths, dish soap, microwave popcorn, flavored creamers, playing cards, razors, books, puzzles, large-type word searches, hand towels, dishtowels, chips/snacks, flashlights, small umbrellas, paper and envelopes, socks, gloves (one size fits all), wipes, greeting cards, 2021 pocket calendars, decorative napkins or dessert plates.

We also suggest a personal note to the recipient: example-"Wishing you some cheer," Mary, or "Happy Fall"- Edna. Just suggestions to get you started. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions.

Carol Anderson (499-4906) carolbruceanderson@gmail.com,
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Blessings Bags Co-Chairs

ST JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER MEALS



We will be taking meals to the shelter again this year, but we will be dropping off our food items at the door to volunteers there rather than bringing them in. You can start signing up now to take food items on **November 5, December 3, January 7, February 4, March 4, and April 1**. The August Newsletter contains all of the information.

Please contact either of us if you have any questions. TO SIGN UP: email either mkrauty@att.net or mkpaulson@aol.com. Otherwise call or message our cell phones (numbers low.) Thank you to the members who have already begun to sign up to take food to the shelter.

Mary Krautkramer (920-819-5812), mkrauty@att.net,
Mary Kay Paulson (301-221-6327) mkpaulson@aol.com, Co-Chairs

KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN



Several accomplished BCCWC gardeners pruned, trimmed, plucked and weeded at the Kress Library garden on July 22 and August 17. To see the fruits of their labor, stop at the library or view along the trail. Beautiful annuals surround the butterfly. Small pots of flowers adorn the back and front entrances. If you are interested in joining this cheerful crew, please stop by on **September 15** or **October 6** to join the fun. You would be most welcome. Please be aware that if more than 5 work together, the chair will collect a COVID release form from you and that you must always wear a mask.



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

ST PAT'S SEPTEMBER FOOD DRIVE

The St. Patrick's Food Pantry volunteers have loved the birthday bags donated by the BCCWC! They are likely completely out of bags by now, especially since we missed the collection scheduled for last April. Guess what we ask for almost every year? The bags are for children age 2-10. They should contain cake mix, frosting, candles and an age-appropriate small toy.



A variety store is a great place to find bags and the things to fill them. Parents deeply appreciate being able to provide this special surprise on their child's birthday. Of course, food is the priority at a pantry, but including a birthday bag would be great. Cathy Cartwright's vehicle will park at the far end of the De Pere Community Center parking lot on Wednesday, **September 16**, from 10AM-noon to accept "drop and go" donations.

Thank you in advance!

Cathy Cartwright (613-6227) Rcartwright@new.rr.com,
Mary Ryan (499-9929) ryan.mary43@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

In all of this beautiful summer weather, it is hard to believe that we will be experiencing frosty evenings in a month or two. It is not too soon to be thinking about and working on our blanket projects. The collection will be in the De Pere Community Center parking lot on **October 21** from 10AM-noon even though we will not be having a meeting. We will be very pleased to distribute your donations. Please call us if you would like to deliver them early or have them picked up.



Pat Hearden (432-5871 or 217-3824) phearden@aol.com,
Jean Allgeyer (639-2980) jmallgeyer@msn.com, Co-Chairs

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Calling all quilters to a Zoom meeting on Monday, Oct. 5 at 9AM



If you want to join this meeting, e-mail Sherry Campbell (sherrysuej@new.rr.com) by Friday, **Sept. 25**.

Sherry will then invite you to the meeting and give you instructions as to how to attend the meeting. Sharing ideas and displaying quilts, complete or not, generates a lot of enthusiasm for this project.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone and hearing the status of your project on **October 5**.

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

HSHS ST. VINCENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL-CHILD LIFE



We are thrilled to announce that the Child Life department is able to accept donations once again. The children and their families miss the little "extras" the department has provided to make their hospital stays tolerable.

We are presently communicating with the hospital about a Halloween and Christmas tree project, using the grant from BCCWC. We will also be holding a "drive" in February, for most needed items, to be determined at that time. Watch for more details in future newsletters

Kathy Aicher (465-1600) kaicher@new.rr.com,
Sue Vyse (562-3273) smvyse@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

CHRISTMAS TREE JUBILEE

The Christmas Tree Jubilee will be on **November 24, 2020** with a theme of "Christmas in the Forest". Due to Covid-19 and keeping with social distancing there will be four BCCWC workshops with a limit of 5 people at each to work on the BCCWC contribution to the Jubilee. The workshops will be at our homes, all starting at **1 PM**.



Dates: **Sept. 28 & Oct. 7** making ornaments ; **Oct. 15** making the tree skirt ; **Oct. 20** making ornaments.

If you are interested in making ornaments with us, please call or email Julie Arts. We will contact you with additional information after you sign up.

Linda Murphy (609-5061) lindamurphy429@gmail.com, Mary Van (655-7709) twochums1@gmail.com
Julie Arts (639-1318) jarts2213@gmail.com, Sherry Campbell (680-0778) sherrysuej@new.rr.com,
Co-Chairs

TOYS FOR TOTS



The chairs have been checking frequently with the Salvation Army regarding plans for Christmas Distribution, i.e., Toys for Tots, but there are no definite plans yet. Since BCCWC sign-ups for this activity usually occur in September and October at general meetings, members must sign up via the Salvation Army website if interested this year.

Sue Goltz, (406-2605), sgoltz@new.rr.com,
Ann Baierl, abaierl@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs

HOUSE of HOPE - BIRTHDAY CAKE for CHILDREN



Two children (one girl/one boy) and two moms celebrated birthdays on Wednesday, August 19. Cupcakes, ice cream cups and "Happy Birthday" candles helped cheer the celebration. Each child received a special birthday badge.

Peggy Wellens (321-6200), peggywellens@gmail.com,
Mary Jo Rod (499-3482), maryjorod11@gmail.com Co-Chairs

CHRISTMAS FAMILY GIVING TREE PROJECT



After some deliberation, due to COVID-19, we will not be doing the Christmas Family Giving Tree Project this year. As we all move forward, we will continue to evaluate this wonderful project for 2021.

We wish you all a safe and healthy year

Judy Rankin (497- 4941), judyrankin2000@hotmail.com,
Jeannie Brosteau (632-7516), gbrosteau@gmail.com,
Darlene Rohm (739-5296), darlenehh@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

FUNDRAISING



Phantom Card & Game Day Fundraiser

Here is a chance to participate in what would be our biggest fundraiser in the fall - our semi-annual Card & Game Day. In non-COVID times we would gather for a wonderful afternoon of cards and games, and in so doing, raise a lot of money for BCCWC to give away in Community Awards. We may not be able to gather in person this fall, but we can gather in spirit for this fun **PHANTOM** fundraiser.

For the usual registration fee, you will be awarded a unique mask in BCCWC colors, and be entered into a drawing for one of three fabulous prizes. For each additional \$20 (what you would typically spend on raffle tickets), your name will be entered for another chance at those prizes.



For your registration fee you can sport a BCCWC mask similar to one of these, and be entered into a drawing for fabulous prizes!

See the attached registration form for all of the details. And be sure to check the 2nd page of the form, where you'll be reminded where the fundraiser money goes.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/768525565/2020%2C+Fall+Phantom+CdGm.pdf>

Let's make this **PHANTOM FUNDRAISER** a big success for the BCCWC!

FELLOWSHIP

BOOK CLUB - A note from Mary Schall: When the pandemic has eased, we will be able to meet again.

- **Second Wednesday Mah Jongg** at the De Pere Community Center is suspended until further notice. Play at the Center might resume when the Club resumes monthly meetings there. Watch the newsletter for updates.
- **Create a Zen Rain Chain**
Please consider joining other members in making a **Zen Rain Chain** at **Swanstone Gardens, 4696 Swan Road, Green Bay 54311.**

Pictured is an example of a Packers-themed Zen Rain Chain. You can choose your own colors and you can personalize with "found objects" that you want to bring or purchase there. Ideas include bells, driftwood, charms, etc. Friday, **October 23**, from 10AM—2PM

- Cost: \$65, includes lunch
- Minimum 4 members, Maximum 12
- The activity is indoors with social distancing at the tables. Masks are required.
- Mail a check made out to **Swanstone Gardens** to **Bonnie Lemense** by **October 17** so

numbers can be confirmed with Swanstone by **October 19**. Address: **2826 Friendly Ct., Green Bay, 54313**. Please include your email with your check so that Bonnie can email you a **waiver**. You must sign a waiver to participate. Print, sign and bring it with you to Swanstone. It will be collected and sent to the Archivist.



We are thankful for our BCCWC memories. We are cautiously optimistic that we can plan more activities for the spring of 2021. Fingers crossed! In the meantime, be well and stay safe.

Memories are the treasures that we keep locked deep within the storehouse of our souls, to keep our hearts warm when we are lonely (or living through a pandemic.) Becky Aligada

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Fellowship Co-Directors

COMMUNICATIONS

BCCWC DIRECTORIES

The 2020-21 BCCWC directories were mailed out in August. If you did not receive yours, please let the Communications Directors know so arrangements can be made to get yours to you.



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Communications Co-Directors



Yours in fellowship, fun, and community good works,

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