



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

March 2021

MESSAGE FROM ONE OF OUR OFFICERS

MARCH



Our 2020-2021 year is already coming to an end on June 30! Unfortunately, we've not been able to have any group member meetings to see our friends, meet new members and get to know our officers for this year. Therefore, our existing officers have agreed to extend their tenure through the following year so you can get to know them! Their names are listed in the front of our directory. Hopefully, we will be able to resume our group meetings in September.

We are temporarily changing the format of the newsletter's message "From Our President". Instead, different officers will share the details of their position.

After the President's typical one-year tenure, she spends the next year as "**Past President**". There are so many experiences and knowledge as President that can be applied to other areas of the club. The Past President serves on the Board and Executive Committee, as well as any other committees at the President's discretion.

The Past President serves as Nomination and Election Chair. Nominees are reviewed and presented to the officers for election at or before the April Board Meeting. The new officers are installed at the May membership meeting. A newsletter article would typically announce the newly-elected officers. However, the current officers will continue their responsibilities through the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

The Past President also collects members' volunteer hours for the time spent on club activities. These hours are compiled and included in the Club's annual report. Please remember to keep track of your hours and report them to me, the Past President, by June 1!

Finally, the Past President serves on the Policies and Procedures and By-Laws Committees. These P & P's can be found on our website at www.bccwc.org under the "News & Notes" tab. They are reviewed and updated each February as needed. They are currently in the process of being reviewed.

Watch for another officer's responsibilities in the next newsletter. You may find one to be a perfect fit for you! I hope those of you who are able will contribute to our community by sharing your talents. Thank you for all you do. And don't forget to keep track and report your hours for 2020-21.

Pam Girtz
Past President



MEMBERSHIP

BCCWC added one new member to our group in February. Welcome Sherri Wagner!

It is now time to renew your membership for 2021-2022. The renewal form is on the www.BCCWC.org home page, or use this link :

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/768748239/2021-22+membership+form.pdf>

If you have changed your address, email address, phone number, or anything else, please highlight that information on your renewal form. This will help us gather all important information. Please send the entire form - one member per form. Mail your check and form to: Pat Syring, 1955 Everbreeze Road, Green Bay, WI 54304.

If you cannot print a form, send your check with a note giving us any new information. Thanks!

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Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

We will not be meeting in March due to social-distancing guidelines. However, don't forget that there will be several collections for our Community Service groups - Wellspring, nursing home letter writing project and Smile Bouquet project. They are explained further in the newsletter. All collections will take place on **March 17** from 10AM - noon at the De Pere Community Center parking lot.

It is that time of year when we need members to sign up to bring and serve food at our general meetings and coordinate our luncheons for 2021-2022. Carol Mau will be in the parking lot on **March 17** to sign you up for a specific month. Remember, if everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot.

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COMMUNITY SERVICE



Leadership Opportunity - Kress Gardeners seek a Co-chair with Sue Johnson
New member, Sue Johnson, has volunteered to Co-chair the Kress Gardens team. She has expertise in gardening and would love a Co-chair. To volunteer to Co-chair the Kress Gardens, please contact one of the Community Service Co-Directors. Gardeners will begin planning soon.

Welcome a new BCCWC Community Service Project - A Smile Bouquet

Sue Johnson, Barb LaFrombois and Judy Trimberger have submitted a proposal for a flower bouquet for seniors. The project was approved at the February board meeting. We hope that many members participate.

Random Acts of Kindness Day (www.randomactsofkindness.org). Feb. 17 was chilly but heartwarming. Many members took time out to drop off donations for the BCCWC St. Vincent Children's Hospital Child's Life Department and the new card project. Please continue to help others by donating to our collections during March and April at the De Pere Community Center from 10AM - noon.

Change in the membership form 2021-2022 Several community service categories that were previously separated on the membership form were regrouped for members to indicate interest. Please check those categories that interest you on the new form. Examples are :

- **Enriching Lives of Seniors:** Participating in activities at Fort Howard Apartments, Cards for seniors in Nursing Homes, A Smile Bouquet, Pet Therapy
- **Christmas Activities:** Santa's House, Christmas Families, Toy Distribution, Christmas Tree Jubilee, Give-A Kid-A-Book, Coats for Kids

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WELLSPRING - MARCH COLLECTION



The next Wellspring collection will be **March 17** from 10AM-noon in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center. Please look for a dark gray Hyundai Tucson to drop off your donations. Wellspring guests are in need of the following items: deodorant, lotion, body wash, pocket facial tissue packets, bottled water and sports bras (Larger sizes, 1X and 2X).

Thank you in advance for your generous contributions. The Wellspring guests are always very grateful for your donations.

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HOUSE OF HOPE

Birthdays are celebrations. Thanks to our generous volunteer who provided all the treats, including gifts, this month for a special one-year old and a Mom.

Thank you for your kindness and for making their birthdays special. If you are interested in baking or buying a cake for the monthly birthday party at the shelter, please email kay.barlament@gmail.com or phone 920-660-7368. Thank you for making a difference in the life of a child!



ST. JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER MEALS



We are delivering a meal on **March 4** to the new St. John's Homeless Shelter in the **BAY LAKE CITY CENTER building at 301 N. Adams St.** So many members signed up to take food that we now have everything needed for our **March 4 meal**. Please deliver your food items between **5PM-5:15 PM**.

Please label your food on the top of the covered pans with a magic marker.

The **April 1** meal will be in **great need of our food**. This is our **last meal donation** for the season. Members must sign up early to take food for **April 1**. This is the only other notice to you since this meal is the 1st day of April when our newsletter comes out.

FOOD NEEDED FOR THE APRIL 1 MEAL:

5 LASAGNAS, 3 LARGE HOT VEGETABLE DISHES, 2 LARGE SALADS WITH DRESSING, 8 LOAVES GARLIC BREAD (baked, sliced, foil-wrapped), 1 LARGE SUGARLESS JELLO WITH FRUIT, 2 LARGE BOTTLES OF JUICE.

This month, deliver the food using the former bank ATM lanes at the south end of the Bay Lake Center building. **PLEASE HAVE YOUR FOOD THERE BETWEEN 5PM AND 5:15 PM.**

DELIVERY DIRECTIONS: If you are driving north on Adams Street, turn left immediately past the parking lot across the street from the Republic Chop House with the big "R" on the building, into the old bank ATM drive through lanes. If you are driving West on Pine Street (past the Pine St entrance to the Northland), jog left where Pine Street dead ends into Adams Street and then immediately turn right to enter the drive through lanes. If you are coming from the West side over the Main Street bridge, turn right onto Washington Street, then turn left onto Northland Avenue for one block, and then turn right onto Adams Street. The Bay Lake Center building is on your right. Drive past it to the very south end of the building where the drive-through lanes are. Turn right at the angled part of the building into the drive-through lanes. IT WILL SAY: "ENTER HERE" ABOVE AND AT THE START OF THE LANES. AFTER you drop off your food items, just follow through the lanes and turn left onto Adams Street again. These are short lanes so, it might get crowded!

ANOTHER WAY TO DONATE to St. John's HOMELESS SHELTER: St. John's publishes a "Wish List" on their website at www.stjohnhomelessshelter.org. (Note it is "St. John", not "St. John's."). The list includes personal items, some food items, shelter supplies, cleaning supplies and special requests. These items will go to the St. John's Homeless Shelter at 411 St. John Street, open every day through April 30. See the website for more info.

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ONE STITCH AT A TIME



Please help us break our record for blanket collections 2 times in row. We had a record-breaking number of donations in October and we would like to do it again in May. The need for warm blankets never goes away. The need for single-sized blankets for House of Hope continues. Any blankets, regardless of size, will satisfy a need at House of Hope and Wellspring. Donations of hats, scarves and mittens are also much appreciated.

Take care, be safe and thank you, in advance, for your kind donations.
Call with any questions or for pick-up service

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BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Construct a lap-sized quilt for a Habitat family taking possession of a new home. All that is required is that the quilt top or back contains a house pattern or material containing pictures of houses. The quilter makes the top and supplies the backing. Lynn Konitzer of the NWTC Artisans Center machine quilts each quilt made for Habitat for Humanity at no cost. Batting is supplied.

For more information about Building Quilts for Habitat for Humanity, contact either of the Co-Chairs.

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A SMILE BOUQUET

BCCWC is starting a new project called "A Smile Bouquet". With donations from florists and grocery stores of flowers just past Mother's Day, we will create small bouquets of flowers to distribute to individuals at nursing homes, hospice and assisted living to 'brighten their day'. Who could not use a smile? Now, more than ever, the pandemic has affected us all, especially those in nursing homes and assisted living.



We are kicking off the project after Mother's Day when there should be plenty of flowers to make bouquets. We need donations of small vases (Mason jar size or smaller), ribbon, yarn and any garden trimmers to help create the bouquets. Please bring your donations to the De Pere Community Center on **March 17** from 10AM-noon. The April newsletter will contain information regarding the specific date and place when the bouquets will be assembled.

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Co-Chairs

GREETING CARD PROJECT

Thank you to all who contributed to our February card collection. Based on your positive response BCCWW will be sending cards to nursing home residents on an ongoing basis. Fifty-two completed cards went to The McCormick Home (one for each resident as well as two birthday cards).



For March, greeting cards will be collected for The Odd Fellows Nursing Home. You may drop them off on **March 17** from 10AM-noon in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center. Ways to participate are: write one card or multiple cards that you purchase or

have at home; decorate and write your own cards; donate your unused cards that can be used for a future month or collect and complete a "six pack." A "six pack" is a prepackaged mix of six cards that you may pick up at our drop off on March 17, complete the cards over the next month and return to us at our April collection. We will deliver the completed cards to the Odd Fellows Nursing Home for distribution after our collection so, no postage is required.

Our goal this month is 54 completed cards. More is even better; let the smiles continue !

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Co-Chairs Rosie Jonas and Kathy Heyroth collect note cards at the February donation drive.

HSHS ST. VINCENT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL'S CHILD LIFE DEPARTMENT



Sue Vyse presents the donated supplies to an appreciative St. Vincent nurse.

Warm hearts braved a cold day in support of the HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital's Child Life Drive. "Thank You" to every one of you that donated items. Ninety-two boxes of Band-Aids, an amazing selection of toys and many gift cards were collected. The spirit of kindness and generosity was overwhelming!

Child Life department staff were absolutely thrilled to be receiving these items that are much needed. BCCWC members have, again brightened the days and lessened the cares of the hospitalized children/teens at HSHS St. Vincent's - Child Life.

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FUNDRAISING

SMILE - You can help raise money to support our Community Awards! You all know that fundraising efforts this year have been greatly hampered by the COVID-19 pandemic. We would like to remind you again of a way you can easily help with fundraising from the comfort of your home. Many of you have likely been using www.amazon.com for some of your shopping during this time. We strongly encourage you to start your shopping experience by logging onto www.smile.amazon.com. That's Amazon's program for donating to non-profit organizations. Whatever you order will not cost you any more than the regular Amazon site, but you can select the Brown County Community Women's Club as your donation recipient and a small percentage of what you are already spending will be donated to our club. Each individual order does not result in a huge donation, but lots of orders, taken together, will earn a substantial amount. So, put that website on your "favorites" and you will be helping a lot. Think what you (or your children) ordered over the holidays. The orders add up and result in a nice donation to the BCCWC.



The first time you use Smile, please spell out our club name when you select your donation recipient (Brown County Community Women's Club) because it will not recognize BCCWC. Once you have it in your profile, the site will find it every time you use it. Questions - please call one of us.

Our profits from the winter Mayflower fundraiser brought in \$85.00.

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Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,



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