



Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.
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A MESSAGE FROM OUR FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

Special greetings on this beautiful first day of May. I would love to bring each of you a May Day basket filled with flowers as a reminder of this beautiful season of spring. I think everyone would agree that the Spring Promise of Renewal is especially relevant this year after our long battle with COVID and its restrictions!

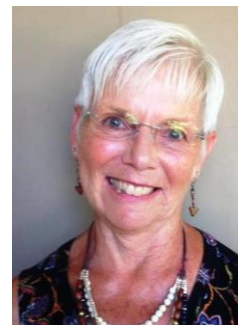
As First Vice-President, my most important duty is to perform the duties of the President in her absence or inability to serve. This mainly involves leading the monthly board meeting or leading the monthly membership meeting if the President is unable to do so. Also, in the event of the President's illness, resignation, or death, the First Vice-President assumes the position of President. As scary as that sounded to me, I quickly realized that I am surrounded by a group of very caring and capable ladies who are more than willing to help!

Another duty of the First Vice-President is to oversee and maintain reports from the Sunshine, Bereavement and Memorial Books Committee chairs, and report monthly activity to the Board in the Consent Agenda.

Just an informational aside about these three important committees. Our Sunshine Chair sends out cards to our BCCWC members at stressful times in their lives, like illness, the loss of a loved one, or just needing a note of cheer. Our Bereavement chair reaches out to the families of BCCWC members who have passed and coordinates the club's contribution based on the arrangements planned by the family. The Memorial Books chair coordinates the donation of a book to the Brown County Library in memory of the member who has passed. She also writes a newsletter article memorializing that member.

Finally, the First Vice-President serves on the Finance Committee, attending all meetings throughout the year.

It is an honor to serve on the Board of Directors as First Vice-President. BCCWC is an amazing group of women, doing extraordinary work in our community. I am immensely proud to be a part of that!



Bonnie Zima
First Vice-President

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION AWARD REQUESTS



Just a reminder that all Community Contribution Award requests must be submitted and received by **May 31, 2021**.

The Board of Directors is ready to accept your Community Contribution Award requests for the fiscal year 2020-21. Keep in mind that Community Awards will only be considered for non-profit organizations located in Brown County.

You can find the form on our website under the fundraiser tab or use the link below. Please refer to the specific requirements and details when making your submission. Allow enough time when mailing your requests so that they are received no later than May 31. Remember, a new request must be submitted each year, as requests do not automatically carry over.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/768498325/2020-21+Community+Award+Nomination+form+%281%29.pdf>

Please mail your completed form to Carol De Grand, President-Elect, using the address listed on the form. The finance committee will meet on June 2 to review all requests. These will then be presented to the Board of Directors for review with final approval at the June 9 Board meeting. Avoid the rush. Send in your requests early. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to support a local non-profit organization in our community. Thank you very much.

Carol De Grand, President-Elect

MEMBERSHIP



A warm welcome to Nancy Copeland who joined BCCWC in April 2021.

We currently have 264 members for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. As of April 23, 115 people have renewed their membership for the upcoming fiscal year, 2021-2022.

It is time to renew your membership if you have not already done so. The membership form is on the WWW.BCCWC.org home page. Please mail your form and check promptly in order to have your name included in our 2021-2022 directory. If you have moved, changed your email address, your phone number or any other changes, please note that information on your membership form. We do not want to miss anything. Please send the completed form and your check to Pat Syring at the address listed on the form.

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Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

We will not be meeting in May due to social-distancing guidelines. However, don't forget that there will be several collections for our Community Service groups - One Stitch at a Time and Cheery Notes for Seniors. They are explained further in the newsletter. All collections will take place on May 19 from 10AM - noon at the De Pere Community Center parking lot.

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Program/Social Co-Directors

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAT

Leadership - *If Everyone Does a Little...* Without members coming forward to lead, many community service activities could not be held. There is great appreciation for those who can lead and for those who contribute to community service in a smaller way. Please consider the following leadership opportunities for 3 community service activities for 2021-22 due to resignations of experienced chairs who have served long and well:

- Christmas Families: Our sincere gratitude to Darlene Rankin, Jeannie Brosteau and Darlene Rohm who have served as liaisons to local schools and enlisted the help of members to provide special gifts of joy to local families in need at Christmas. This activity begins in September and ends in December.
- Food Pantry Collections: The club is still in need of 2 sets of co-chairs to lead 2 food collections. Pantries which serve large numbers of women, children and the elderly are selected to meet our mission. Collections will be held in fall, mid-winter and late spring. Chairs will be matched to their preference of date and location. Please consider taking on this responsibility alone or with a friend.
- Santa's House Chair/Co-Chair: Santa's house is held at the De Pere Historical Society on the first weekend of December. Before the pandemic, BCCWC members supplied decorated cookies and a few volunteers for Santa's House while it was open at White Pillars Museum in De Pere. The duties of the chair or co-chairs include signing up volunteers. The sign-up is held in the fall. At this time, the historical society has not determined if it will take place this winter.

If you have questions about any of these leadership positions, please contact one of the community service directors. If there is a lack of interest in leadership, these activities will not take place.



Do you have an idea for a project? Ideas may be submitted at any time via the BCCWC Project Proposal Form posted on the BCCWC website.

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Community Service Co-Directors

FOOD PANTRY DRIVE

Our last food drive of the year again demonstrated the generosity of our members. We collected over 40 paper grocery bags filled with non-perishable food items, hygiene products and cleaning supplies.

St. Mark Food Pantry in De Pere thanks everyone for restocking their shelves and for your generosity. Thank you so much.

Lois Mauermann, Chair



CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS



We have 160 happy nursing home residents! This is the number of completed notes BCCWC has delivered from February through April 2021 to residents of McCormick Home, the Odd Fellows Nursing Home and Grancare. Thank you all who have participated! Our May collection will be delivered to Bay Shore Village with a goal 60 cards. The June collection will go to Anna John Nursing Home, Oneida, with a goal 32 cards.

The way you can stay involved or become involved and ensure this effort continues is by selecting from any of the following: join our committee, write cheery notes, or donate your unused greeting cards. We will be collecting cards on **May 19** from 10AM-noon in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center. Again, ways to participate include: 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 May 19 and write over the summer. These cards can be returned to us in the fall. We will deliver the completed cards for distribution after our collection, so no postage is required.

Questions? Contact Kathy or Rosie. We especially invite calls from those interested in joining our committee!

Kathy Heyroth (615-8062) oheyrothkathy@gmail.com,
Rosie Jonas (336-7057) RJONAS@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

Happy Spring! What a great time of the year. We'll be collecting blankets for the needy on May 19 at the DePere Community Center. Your donations in the past have been so generous and are deeply appreciated. House of Hope and Wellspring are the lucky recipients of your creativity. Knit, crocheted, sewn, tied or purchased blankets are welcome. They are all awesome. Call if you have questions or need to arrange pick up.



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

WELLSPRING



The BCCWC, through your generous donations, has positively impacted the lives of the women at Wellspring. Recently, Community Award money was used to purchase 2 Ring Doorbell Systems for the guests and staff at Wellspring, as well as 30 containers of laundry detergent and dryer sheets, plus kitchen supplies. The doorbell systems will provide Wellspring staff and guests with much greater security and will allow them to feel much safer in their current location. Gratitude is expressed to BCCWC members for their generosity.

A huge thank you to all BCCWC members for your many contributions throughout the year.

Kathy DeBroux (660-7921) debrouxkathy@new.rr.com,
Susan Regnier (499-8897) skr1176@hotmail.com, Co-Chairs

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Attend the Quilters' Meeting on Monday, May 24, at 9:00 AM at Polo Point Clubhouse, 850 DeSoto Circle, Hobart (near Thornberry Creek.) Weather permitting, we will meet outside. A Zoom meeting will be an option as well. Please let us know your preference - in person or by Zoom.



EXCITING NEWS!!! We have over 40 tiny quilting kits - come to the meeting and choose one or more to incorporate into a lap-sized quilt for new Habitat for Humanity families.

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

KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN

It's time to open up the garden at the Kress Library. Please join us on **Wednesday, May 5** to wake up the gardens. We will be gathering from 8-10AM to help clean up the gardens and get them ready to plant on **May 26**. (Rain date is **May 27**.)

Please bring garden gloves and garden shears to prune where needed and a bucket or basket for the debris. Bring your face mask and water also. (Not sure the face mask will be needed if we are not next to each other) The dates for the summer are as follows:

- **Wed. May 5:** Wake up the garden
- **Wed. May 26:** Planting (Rain date is May 27th)
- **Wed. June 23:** Trimming, watering, weeding
- **Tues. July 20:** Trimming, watering, weeding
- **Thurs. Aug 26:** Trimming, watering, weeding
- **Wed. Sept 22:** Trimming, watering, weeding
- **Tues. Oct 5:** Putting garden to bed (Rain date is Oct. 7.)



Susan Johnson (360-1730) smjohnson718@gmail.com, Chair

HOUSE OF HOPE



Although there were no birthdays to celebrate this month, our BCCWC volunteer donated the cake(s) for 16 Moms, 15 kids and 3 infants to enjoy! The Volunteer coordinator described it as a "Celebration of accomplishments" as these young mothers achieve their goals! Thank you for your generosity and kindness! If you can help with this monthly Birthday party by baking or buying a cake(s), please call 920-660-7368 or email kay.barlament@gmail.com. Thank you!

Kay Barlament (920-660-7368) kay.barlament@gmail.com, Chair

A SMILE BOUQUET

Thanks to everyone for your donations to date. We have lots of vases. Now we need flowers. Hopefully, after Mother's Day we will receive sufficient flowers from the grocers and florists to make quite a few bouquets. With all the spring flowers blossoming right now, we might be adding some of the spring flowers to our bouquets.



If you haven't yet, please contact one of the chairs below to volunteer. Right now we are planning on putting the bouquets together on Wednesday, May 12, and Thursday, May 13 at Josten Park from 10AM-noon. The Chairs will keep in contact with you concerning the exact date. Garden clippers will be needed to help put together the bouquets.

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Judy Trimberger (920-499-9877) judytrimberger@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

FUNDRAISING

BRAT FRY BELLEVUE FESTIVAL



Put **Saturday, July 31** and **Friday, August 20** on your calendars to attend the BCCWC Brat Fry at Festival Foods in Bellevue. Please contact Elizabeth Anderson (362-9183, eanders118@aol.com) to volunteer to help or for more information. Elizabeth is just taking information, not chairing the events. In order for this fundraiser to take place, someone needs to volunteer to chair this. It's just 2 days - please partner up with a friend and take on this responsibility.

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Co-Directors

BCCWC GOLF OUTING IS BACK!!!!

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2021 at MID VALLEE GOLF COURSE



The scramble format begins at 9:00 AM with a shotgun start. 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 a bagged lunch of croissant with turkey or ham and cheese, bag of chips, banana and a fresh baked cookie. Due to Covid, we are not having the taco buffet this year. Hopefully, we can bring it back next year. Mid Vallee will do a nice job with our choice of bagged lunch this year. We will be following the CDC guidelines for this event.

You do not need to be a member of BCCWC to join us. There will be raffles and possibly silent auctions. Come join the festivities. Get your registration forms in now.

See details on the registration form available at the BCCWC website under the fundraising tab.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/768817883/2021+golf+outing+registration.pdf>

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

"SMILE" REMINDER



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 price, 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 about what you ordered during the pandemic. 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.

FELLOWSHIP



Bonnie, Lynn and Sue are considering a cooking class at Season to Taste, a "make and take" at Swanstone Gardens and a field trip to a museum as possible activities. In addition, they are looking at a possible bus trip to Fireside or to the Milwaukee area in the fall. Hopefully, MahJongg will resume at the De Pere Community Center. Everything depends on COVID-19 numbers and what level of occupancy is allowed at events.

Enjoy the sights, sounds and scents of May!

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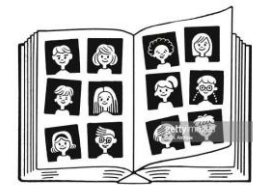
Lynn Arnesen (201-739-3941) lynn.arnesen@aol.com,

Fellowship Co-Directors

COMMUNICATIONS

BCCWC PHOTO DIRECTORY

We hope to put together a picture directory (like your high school yearbook) of 2021-22 BCCWC members. We need your help in gathering pictures of all of you.



We have captured many of your "portraits" from pictures that exist from prior club events, particularly the bridge pictures that were taken 2 years ago. However, if you have a different picture that you would like used in that directory, please e-mail it to Leanne Snell (lsnell2@new.rr.com). If you only have it in a print version, mail that print to Nancy Daniels, 1359 Lindale La., Green Bay 54313. You may not get that picture back, so make sure it's a duplicate copy. If you wish to NOT be in that directory, please let Nancy know. You will be listed as "not pictured" at the end of the book.

Information will be coming on how you can order a copy of the picture directory.

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Communications Co-Directors

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Linda Curl, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team

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