

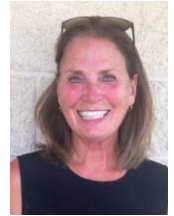


Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 28216, Green Bay, WI 54324

November 2021

A MESSAGE FROM OUR 2ND VICE PRESIDENT

I have held the position of 2nd Vice President for 2 years. This position is a 1-year term, but there is the option to stay on longer. The 2nd Vice President is a voting member of the Executive Board and the Board of Directors; she attends both of these monthly meetings. The 2nd Vice President is the Chair of the Finance Committee which meets 4 times a year. Together, the 2nd Vice President and the Treasurer set an agenda for these meetings and notify the Finance committee. The Treasurer conducts the meeting and the 2nd Vice President takes the minutes and submits them to the members of the Finance Committee and the BCCWC Secretary.



Mary Ann Froelich, 2nd Vice President

MEMBERSHIP



BCCWC welcomed 1 new member in October, Mary Dashnier, and 1 returning member. Cheryl Jeffers had moved to Florida for 3 years and is now back living in Green Bay. BCCWC membership is 251.

Those interested in joining or renewing will find a membership form on our website www.bccwc.org. If you are unable to print a form, please send your check, along with your information, to Dianne Froelich, 3466 Peppergrass Dr., Green Bay, WI 54311. If renewing, please note any changes from last year.

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Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

Fifty members and 1 guest attended the October meeting. Our **November 17** meeting will be at the De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant St. in De Pere.

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

Our speaker this month is Aaron Geitner from Exceptional Equestrians. We will again be serving only coffee, tea and water. Please feel free to bring your own snack.

The registration form for our **December 15** Christmas luncheon at Tundra Lodge is now available. Registration deadline is **December 1**.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769020841/2021+December+Reservation-2.pdf>

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

BCCWC COMMUNITY AWARDS 2020-21 - Food Pantries

Community Awards of \$500 each were granted to Calvary Lutheran Church, Giving Tree, Grace Lutheran Church, St. John's Lutheran Stocked Shelves, St. Patrick's and St. Willebrord's food pantries.

There are currently nearly 30 food pantries in Brown County. Each pantry provides for a different demographic of clients whether it be by geography, numbers in household, families, the elderly, children or even health conditions. The number of food pantries has grown over recent years due to need and demand has been greater, especially during the pandemic. The specific pantries for whom community awards have been issued are determined by BCCWC member advocacy through community awards applications. Below is a brief summary of each pantry's clients:

- Calvary Lutheran Church - no residency restrictions, one visit per month
- The Giving Tree - Howard-Suamico School District students
- Grace Lutheran Church - no residency restrictions
- St. John Lutheran Stocked Shelves - no residency restrictions, one visit per month
- St. Patrick's (Hope Center) - west-side residents
- St. Willebrord's - east-side Green Bay residents within certain boundaries

To help even more families fight hunger, 3 annual food pantry collections are conducted by BCCWC community service committees on separate meeting days. This year, the 3 pantries selected are St. Paul Lutheran, St. Patrick's Pantry (Hope Center) and First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry.

Thank you to our members who fight hunger by raising funds for community awards and donating nonperishable food items to our food pantry collections. Our members are always so generous at these food drives.

At our **November 17** meeting, the featured speaker will be telling us about Exceptional Equestrians and the wonderful work they do in our community. They were also the recipients of a \$500 Community Award for 2020-21.

Happy Thanksgiving and many blessings to you and your families.

Carol De Grand, President Elect

WELLSPRING - NOVEMBER COLLECTION



Heads up, BCCWC members! The first collection for the guests at Wellspring will be **November 17**, 10:30AM-12:30PM (before the monthly meeting) in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center. We will be leaving at 12:30PM to deliver the items to Wellspring. Please look for a dark gray Hyundai Tucson and tan Subaru Outback to drop off your donations. If you need to drop off items before **November 17**, contact Kathy.

Wellspring guests are in need of cold weather items: hand warmers, hand lotion, gloves/mittens, winter hats/headbands, neck warmers, scarves, long underwear (sizes Small-3XL), boots (sizes 6-11) and jackets (sizes Small-3XL). They truly appreciate all your generous contributions. Thank you!

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Susan Regnier (499-8897) skr1176@hotmail.com, Co-Chairs

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS

On October 29, an assortment of Halloween cards, Thanksgiving crafts and Fall greeting cards were delivered to the residents of Edenbrook Nursing Home in Green Bay.



Stumped as to what to write in a Cheery Card? For ease of reading, large simple print is helpful. "Draw a picture, write a quote, relay a poem or introduce yourself and have a one-way conversation. Be creative, as long as it's encouraging and positive!" In other words, almost anything is fine.

At the next general meeting on **November 17**, completed cards will be collected and "six packs" of blank cards will be available. The more completed cards we are able to collect, the more cheer we will spread to our nursing home residents! Questions? Call Kathy or Rosie.

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

Preparations are underway for the Christmas project of decorating the mini-Christmas trees to be distributed to the hospitalized children during the Christmas Season. There's still time to sign up for this project so, please visit the 'Child Life' table at the **November 17** meeting; or contact either chair, who would be happy to add you to the sign-up sheet! Also, at the **November 17** meeting 'Child Life' table, there will be the on-going collection of colorful, character (latex free) band aids and stuffed animals/bears.

Giving 'THANKS' for all the generosity and willingness by members to bring joy to the sick children of HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital.

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CHRISTMAS FAMILY GIVING TREE PROJECT



Thank you to all who attended the October meeting and took tags to purchase gifts for all the children we are sponsoring this year. The plan is to give each family gift cards to a local grocery store, gas station and Walmart in addition to the gifts described on the bags. If you were not able to attend the meeting, but would still like to participate, you can purchase a gift card of any denomination.

Please return all gifts wrapped, with the name tag securely attached, to the **November 17** meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please contact one of the committee members and arrangements will be made to pick up. Thank you.

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BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Prior to receiving their keys to their new Habitat for Humanity home on September 28, the Valle-Nunez family, consisting of 5 people, crowded into a 2-bedroom apartment. They needed more rooms to do school/homework and a suitable kitchen. The family moved to the area about 7 years ago and was able to accomplish their dream of one day owning a home.



Gina Reinardy, co-chair for Building Quilts for Habitat, presents a quilt to the Valle-Nunez family.

Anyone interested in making quilts for Habitat for Humanity families, please contact:

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

ONE STITCH AT A TIME



You set a new record! Along with handmade baby sweaters, hats, scarves and mittens, 111 blankets were collected. Thank you to all who participated.

With the chilly weather close, it's time to start thinking about your next project. If you need yarn, give us a call. If you're purchasing a blanket, we can use any size. The twin size is especially useful because House of Hope only has twin size beds, but Wellspring can use the larger sizes. They are all appreciated. Thank you again for your generosity. *You make our job look so easy!!*

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COATS FOR KIDS

November 5 & 6: KROC CENTER- 1315 Lime Kiln Rd.



Volunteers have been asked to sign up online (ReneeMain@sc.salvationarmy.org) or call Renee Main at 593-2375. Following safety protocols, *masks are required*.

If you are volunteering for this service project, please send an email to epogorelc@aol.com stating you are working. We would like a count for BCCWC records. Thank you for signing up for this worthy cause.

Elaine Pogorelc (494-7598), Chair

ST. JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER - MEALS



We will be serving our first meal of the season on Thursday, **November 4**, at the Homeless Shelter at St. John's on St. John Street. Thanks to the generosity of our members, we have nearly enough food and we have enough people to serve. We still need only **2 big pans of sugarless jello with fruit**. If you signed up to take food to the shelter, you can deliver it between 5-5:30PM. Just ring the door bell and take it down into the kitchen. For those of you who are also serving, you should arrive by 5:30PM at the latest. **The shelter asks that you wear a mask when in the building**, whether delivering food or serving.

Please contact me if you are able to contribute any of the food we still need or if you have any questions. Thanks again, Ladies. You are the best!

Mary Kay Paulson (632-7473 or 301-221-6327), mkpaulson@aol.com, Chair

FORT HOWARD APARTMENTS SENIOR BAG LUNCHES

This is a gentle reminder to all who signed up to donate ham and cheese sandwiches, fruit, chips or bars for Fort Howard Apartments (141 North Chestnut Avenue)



Seniors. The committee will need the food items by 10:30AM on Wednesday, **November 3**. The items should be wrapped separately so that volunteers can put them in containers. The residents have their own condiments so, our BCCWC cooks will not have to donate any. Many thanks to the volunteers who so generously offered food.

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

HOUSE OF HOPE

There were 4 birthdays celebrated in October: a 3-year-old girl, an 8-year-old girl, a 13-year-old girl and 1 mom. The 13-year-old was able to enjoy her own cake with other residents on the youth side of House of Hope. The two little girls and the mom enjoyed their own celebration with cake and party favors on the emergency shelter side of the residence. It is heartwarming to know that these children and adults are able to have some fun on their birthdays.



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

CHRISTMAS JUBILEE FOR RIBBON OF HOPE

Our wonderful BCCWC volunteers met on October 11 and October 19 to complete 6 beautiful wreaths for the Ribbon of Hope event. The volunteers were so creative and helpful!



All of the wreaths will be displayed downtown in the windows of the former children's museum (the old Prange's store windows) from **November 13-December 4**. Everyone is encouraged to take a trip to Washington Street to get into the Christmas spirit!

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FUNDRAISING

BRING A BOOK, BUY A BOOK



BOOKS BOOKS BOOKS

How many did you read during the COVID-19 shut-down? How about sharing your books and picking up some new ones? Please bring books to our **November 17** meeting so that we will have a huge selection to choose from for just a \$1 donation each. Be sure to check if some of your books remain at the end of the meeting and bring them back home with you.

Leah Dumke (499-2308) leahdumke@gmail.com, Chair

FALL CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER



A big THANK YOU to all who participated in the Fall Card & Game day Fundraiser!! It was a huge success!!! Profits of over \$9500.00. WOW!!!

Kathy Gierczak shuttled guests from the far parking lot to the clubhouse.



With Halloween just around the corner, the Yum Yum committee donned witches' hats to greet guests.

180 guests had a wonderful time playing bridge and other games at Thornberry Creek Golf Course. Enticing goodies from the Yum Yum Shoppe tempted arriving guests. Thornberry served a lovely lunch and good friends enjoyed a festive atmosphere. It could not have been done without the best committee ever!!!

We're already looking forward to the Spring Fundraiser. Mark your calendars for Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at beautiful Thornberry Creek!

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Sue Protzman (498-0528) protz511@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs

THANK YOU, HOSTESS EXTRAORDINAIRE!



Anyone who has ever attended one of BCCWC's fabulous Card & Game Day Fundraisers has been in awe of the beautiful displays of raffle baskets and silent auction items. For the past 10 years, those displays have been the result of the magic touch of Co-Chair Gloria Jonet. Gloria developed the themes for the parties; she gathered all of the donated items in her basement; she packaged them in beautiful, colorful baskets; she set up the displays that were the centerpiece of the room. In addition, she was the "voice" of the card party, welcoming people, calling out the winners of the various raffles and helping guests enjoy the festivities of the day.

The Card & Game Day Fundraiser on **October 27** was Gloria's "swan song", as she is stepping down to focus her efforts on other important tasks. The Card & Game Days are the most successful fundraisers the BCCWC has had, raising thousands of dollars each year to put toward Community Awards. We are thankful beyond words for all of Gloria's contributions. Along with Co-Chair Sue Protzman (who is NOT stepping down, thank goodness), the card parties have become major, anticipated social events.

Thank you, Gloria, for all that you have done. We will miss you more than you know.

FELLOWSHIP

It's been fun seeing members at various Fellowship Activities. Hopefully, more will be able to participate in future outings.

Upcoming Outings:

Holiday Memories of Downtown at the Neville Public Museum

Let's take a trip down memory lane as we relive Christmases past by viewing the Prange's windows of days gone by. We have 12 members signed up. Join us!

- **Wednesday, December 1**
- 10AM with lunch to follow at Copper State Brewing Company. Admission to the museum is free for Brown County residents on the first Wednesday of the month.
- Register by emailing Bonnie LeMense so we can make reservations at the restaurant.
- Due: **November 24**



Theater Trip: Assisted Living: The Home...for the holidays

So far, we have 10 BCCWC members attending!

Through J & J Travelers at a new venue: Memories Theater in Port Washington

- **Saturday, December 11**
- Cost: \$91 (includes meal, transportation, show, driver tip)
- Email Lynn Arnesen if you are planning to attend
- **Registration closes on November 16**

Click on link below to print registration and return to J & J Travelers:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/768940893/Memories+Theater%2C+Port+Washington.pdf>

Cooking Class: Cooking with Spices and Herbs (6 are signed up so far; max of 17)

- **January 18, 6-7:30PM**
- \$20
- A Season to Taste on Lineville Rd, Suamico
- Contact Lynn Arnesen to sign up or sign up at meetings

Check your calendar for 2022! Details and other events will be announced as they are finalized. Any more ideas? Let us know!!

- **Backstage at the Meyer Tour:** April or May, date & time TBD
- **Swanstone Gardens Class:** April or May, date & time TBD
- ??? your ideas are welcome!

Standing Activities:

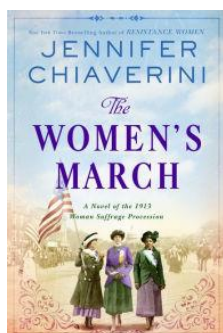
- The **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem, meets monthly. See below.
- **Wednesday Mah Jongg** is held at the Ashwaubenon Community Center on Anderson Drive. Several members have been playing there over the spring and summer. The site is easily accessible with plenty of parking. Games are played between 1-3:30PM in the lobby area of the building. Betty Jensen will continue to be the contact for this. If you are interested in playing on any Wednesday, text Betty at 770-6642 to be included in the group reminder text. We are grateful to Betty for continuing in this role.
- If anyone is interested in a Mah Jongg refresh or lessons, email Sue Sinclair and we will set something up on a Wednesday at the Ashwaubenon Community Center.

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Bonnie Lemense (770-5037) bonnleme@att.net,

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

BOOK CLUB



We will be meeting on Monday, **November 1** at 1PM at the Kress Library in the lower level. Our November book will be *The Women's March* by Jennifer Chiaverini, facilitated by Linda Verboomen.

Book Summary:

In 1920, the 19th Amendment went into effect, granting women the right to vote. The suffrage movement was a long and difficult fight. The Women's March in January 1913 occurred the day before the presidential inauguration and is considered a key moment in helping sway the public's opinion. This historical fiction novel features 3 suffragists: Alice Paul, Maud Malone, and Ida B. Wells-Barnett and follows each woman's role in the movement as well as the famous march in Washington D.C.

We would love to have you join us for this wonderful book discussion. So you can plan ahead, the book for the **December 6** meeting will be *The Art of Hearing Heartbeats* by Jan-Philipp Sendker. We meet for lunch, at your expense, at 11:30AM at the Village Grille. We will meet at the Kress Library at 1PM.

A facilitator is needed for these upcoming meetings.

February 7, 2022 *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks

March 7, 2022 *As Bright as Heaven* by Susan Meissner

April 4, 2022 *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi

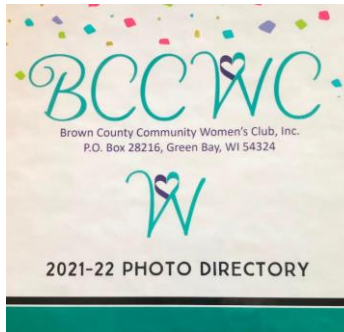
If you are interested, please contact:

Meg Deem (288-9922) mmdeem0135@gmail.com, Chair

COMMUNICATIONS

PHOTO DIRECTORY

The long-awaited BCCWC photo directory is ready for you to place your order! If you would like to purchase a directory, **send a check for \$20, made out to BCCWC**, to Nancy Daniels, 1359 Lindale La., Green Bay 54313. Please put "photo directory" on the subject line.



Deadline for ordering the directory is **November 20**, shortly after the next general meeting. The books will be distributed at the holiday luncheon. If you won't be at the luncheon, arrangements will be made to get your book to you. Now, when you recognize a fellow member but can't think of her name, you'll have a handy reference book at your fingertips!

Nancy Daniels (499-4995) danielsna@aol.com,
Margaret Georgia (497-7388) Margaret@new.rr.com, Photo Directory Co-Chairs



REMEMBER: Turn your clocks back 1 hour the night of **Saturday, November 6**.

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Leanne Snell, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team
Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc.

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