



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

April 2022

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ARCHIVIST CO-DIRECTORS

In fall of 2014, discussion began within the Executive Board concerning a need for a person on the BCCWC Board who would be in an historical advisory position. After much discussion, a plan was developed to create a permanent Board position of Archivist. When the club became incorporated in August, 2015, the Board endorsed Carol Simpson to fill this position. As the position responsibilities increased, Helene Rosner became a Co-Archivist in 2019.

The Archivist is responsible to renew club liability insurance, all club licenses and all contracts. The Archivist also maintains records of all tax returns, signed contracts, by-laws, policies and procedures and tax exempt-ID cards held by club members. The Archivist keeps records of all tangible property and locations of such property owned by BCCWC.

The Archivist serves as a voting member of the Board of Directors and also serves on the Executive Board, the Finance Committee and the Procedures and By-Laws Committee. The Archivist also ensures that all club financial and legal documents are filed prior to deadlines and works closely with the Treasurer and the club's accounting firm regarding club finances and filings.

The position is elected for a 2-year renewable term. Present Archivists work diligently to keep the club operating smoothly and to maintain the club's non-profit status. They are proud of the club's growth over the years and genuinely enjoy serving the club in the Archivist position.

Carol Simpson & Helene Rosner
Archivist Co-Directors



MEMBERSHIP



Our current membership is 265.

Please welcome the following new members since March 1, 2022.

Linda Monson
Vicki DeMain
Marilyn Raisanen
Midge Ebben (rejoin)

Joan Kostac
Kay Christens
Barb Stumpf

It is time to renew your membership for the fiscal year 2022-2023.

The membership form can be found on the BCCWC website.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769119042/202223+Membership+Application.pdf>

Please note any changes on your form. Send the entire form and your check to Dianne Froelich, 3466 Peppergrass Dr., Green Bay, WI 54311. Your membership renewal must be received by **June 1** for your name to appear in the BCCWC Directory. It is important to renew your membership so that area charities can continue to be funded.

Laurey Clampitt (217-9557) laurey.clampitt@icloud.com,

Dianne Froelich (621-3357) joedianne3261@new.rr.com, Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER

The **April 20** meeting will be at the De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant Street in De Pere.

Social: 12:15PM

Program: 1PM

Meeting: 1:30PM

Our speaker this month is Joan Johnson. Joan is the founder of the nonprofit organization Reset.Life. This organization is dedicated to helping women flourish in work and life by fostering personal growth, professional development and interpersonal connection.

The registration for the **May 18** spring luncheon at Stadium View is now available at:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769141875/2022+May+Luncheon+reservation.pdf>

Registration deadline is **May 4**.

Carol Mau (391-0779) zinnia60@gmail.com,

Susan Byrne (708-860-8878) susanbyrne9968@gmail.com,

Darlene Rohm (303-870-6400) darlenehh@yahoo.com, Program/Social Co-Directors

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

It is time to "spring" into action and submit nominations for Community Contribution Awards. To recommend a local non-profit organization to receive an award, please complete the Community Contribution Award form and mail to Carol De Grand, President-Elect. The forms are located on the website under the fundraising tab. Please refer to the specific requirements and details when making recommendations. <http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769067762/2021-22+Community+Award+Nomination+form.pdf>

Over the past 14 years, the BCCWC has distributed more than \$436,000 in Community Awards in Brown County. Applications for consideration must be submitted by a current BCCWC member and must be received by **May 31**, 2022. If you have any questions, contact:

Carol De Grand (680-5470) cjdegrand@gmail.com, President-Elect



ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES - WELLSRING - MARCH COLLECTION



A huge THANK YOU to all who contributed to the March 16 collection for Wellspring! Generous members donated over 40 bags of needed spring items including rain gear, spring jackets, umbrellas, tennis shoes, sandals, socks, sunscreen and other items. The Wellspring staff and guests were delighted to receive all the donations. They were very appreciative of our members' kindness and generosity.

Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the ladies at Wellspring!



Spring items delivered to Wellspring

Kathy DeBroux (660-7921) kmdebroux@gmail.com,
Susan Regnier (499-8897) skr1176@hotmail.com, Co-Chairs

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS

Once again, members of the BCCWC came through! There were 125 Cheery Notes delivered to residents of the Emerald Bay Retirement Community in Hobart, just in time to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Completed cards will be collected at the **April 20** meeting for distribution in May. Use your own cards or pick up blank cards from one of the chairs.



"Six packs" will be available at the April meeting for 2022 distribution. Questions? Call:

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

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

Happy Easter, friends! Spring and warmer weather are finally a reality. A reminder, there will be a blanket collection at the **May 18** luncheon meeting. It's time to put the final touches on all those knit, tied, sewed and crocheted projects you worked on this winter. Purchased items are also very appreciated. House of Hope always needs twin-size blankets and Wellspring can use all sizes. The collection will take place in the parking lot for your convenience. If you need them picked up, just call Pat or Jean.



Thank you for your generosity. Think Spring. 🌸🌸🌸

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

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

The **April 20** meeting has been designated for the 'Child Life' collection. Child Life staff are extremely grateful for all donated items. They are especially in need of the following items for the children:

- Small LEGO Sets
- Kinetic Sand/Kits
- Surprise Eggs (Amazon) - anything that has a little surprise inside, e.g. LOL Doll Eggs (no candy please)

Thank you for your amazing kindness, support and generosity toward the hospitalized children at HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital!

Sue Vyse (562-3273) smvyse@gmail.com,

Kathy Aicher (465-1600 or 265-5094) kaicher@news.rr.com, Co-Chairs

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

What Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity does:



What BCCWC does for the new homeowners:



Our next meeting is Monday, **May 23**, at 9AM at Polo Point Clubhouse, 850 DeSoto Circle, Hobart. Anyone, at any time, is welcome to join our group. Contact:

Mary Schrickel (609-4651) mary_habitat@hotmail.com,

Gina Reinardy (664-6501) ginareinardy@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES - ST JOHN'S HOMELESS SHELTER



We will be serving our last meal of the season on Thursday, **April 7**, at St. John's Homeless Shelter. We had a good sign up at the last meeting, but we still have some needs:

- 1 large hot vegetable dish
- 6 loaves of garlic bread (baked, sliced, and wrapped in foil)
- 2 large pans of sugarless jello with fruit

Please deliver your food to the shelter between 5-5:30PM. Call Mary Kay to volunteer or with any questions.

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

HOUSE OF HOPE

In March, 26 residents at the shelter enjoyed the monthly celebration generously provided by our March volunteer. There were 2 birthdays and a baby shower for a mother-to-be who is expecting in April. Cake, ice cream, plates, napkins and gifts for the 3 were provided. Thank you for your kindness. If you are interested in making a difference for these mothers and children, email Kay.

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



KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN



We will soon begin preparing the Kress Library Garden for spring. Last year's wonderful volunteers, please consider returning. New volunteers, please also consider joining for a little gardening, watering and friendship. Monthly meetings are on Wednesdays; the first meeting will be **May 4** at 8AM. Since both Terri and Sue live on the west side of town, they are hoping for some volunteers to help water during the summer.

The tentative summer schedule is as follows:

May 4: Clean up **May 25:** Planting flowers

June 22, July 20, August 17, September 21: Monthly pruning and watering

We would like to have an idea of how many volunteers will participate so, please let Terri or Sue know if you are interested.

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

Terri Lewis (497-1651) ptlfam@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs

APRIL FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



First Presbyterian Food Pantry on Ashland Avenue will be the recipient of the **April 20** food collection. Current needs include: healthy cereal, peanut butter, jelly, soup (chicken noodle and tomato), macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce, canned meats, tuna, canned vegetables, canned fruit and baked beans. **Please, no glass containers.** The pantry also offers their clients gently used household items such as towels, cooking utensils and toys. The pantry will gladly accept such donations. The drop-off time is from 10AM-noon at the De Pere Community Center parking lot. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Lois Mauermann (360-2286) Lmauermann@new.rr.com & Lizz Jayne, Co-Chairs

A SMILE BOUQUET

The Smile Bouquet is starting its second year. After Mother's Day, we will gather flowers from different florists to create small bouquets for residents in nursing homes, as we did last year. We will also get together a few times during the summer and early fall to make bouquets from the beautiful flowers that members and friends share from their gardens, creating special arrangements for those who could use a smile.

The next meeting will be 1PM Wednesday, **May 11** at Josten Park to create bouquets.

Contact one of the chairs if you are interested in helping. If you have vases to donate, please bring them to the **April 20** meeting.



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

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

Barb LaFrombois (465-8623) dblafrombois1@att.net, Co-Chairs

FUNDRAISING



Please remember to use www.smile.amazon.com when ordering from Amazon. When you get in the habit of using that site, it will become automatic. What a wonderful way to easily help raise funds for the BCCWC!

Sue Protzman (217-3014) protz511@new.rr.com,
Lynette Van Den Heuvel (264-2480) nettiemayou@me.com,
Bonnie Christensen (366-6773) bjcingb05@gmail.com, Fundraising Co-Directors

DONATE A BUCK, GET A BOOK



YOU DID IT! Books at the March meeting were awesome, both in number and quality. We sold many! Let's do the same in April. Please search your book shelves and bring all those no longer being used books to the **April 20** meeting. Members enjoy the various titles and subject matter. Last chance to bring in books, take home new ones and benefit BCCWC before October 2022!

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

SPRING CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER - Wednesday, **APRIL 27**



The Card & Game Day Fundraiser is only a few weeks away! Registration starts at 10AM and lunch will be served promptly at 11AM. There is ample parking at Thornberry Creek and there will be a shuttle service (golf carts or cars, depending on the weather). The cost is \$40 with \$20 going to BCCWC fundraising. Get your friends together and sign up. The registration form is on the website or click this link.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769091603/2022+Spring+CdGm+Day+flyer.pdf>

What counts as "Cards & Games"? Anything! Play bridge or bring supplies for cribbage, hand and foot, Mah Jongg or any other game. There will be raffle tickets for fabulous baskets, silent auction items to bid on, a 50/50 raffle and yummy treats at the Yum-Yum shoppe. We hope you will be there. This is a fun event and a fabulous fundraiser for the BCCWC.

Sue Protzman (217-3014) protz511@new.rr.com, Chair

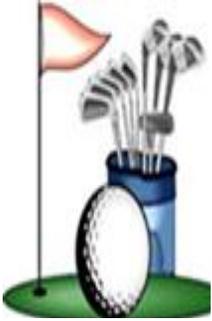
YUM-YUM SHOPPE



On **April 27**, the Yum-Yum Shoppe will be open for business at the Spring Card & Game Day. We are hoping to raise lots of money. Last fall, the Shoppe raised \$1,000, which was all profit! We are hoping to surpass that amount this spring. *But we need your help.* Please consider making some baked goods. A sign-up sheet will be at the **April 20** membership meeting. We have many talented members who donate fantastic items. Looking forward to welcoming everyone at the Yum-Yum Shoppe!

Jacquie Murphy (660-7791) jacquelinemurphy0903@gmail.com, Chair

BCCWC ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



Mark your calendars for the annual golf outing on Monday, **June 13, 2022**, at Mid Vallee Golf Course. It will be the same format as our previous outings: scramble format with 9AM shotgun start. Good news! Taco bar will be back. This fundraiser is for golfers and non-golfers who wish to play bridge or other games and then join the golfers for lunch.

More information and the registration form will follow in the May newsletter.

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

BRAT FRY FUNDRAISER

We are looking for a few good people! Over several summers, BCCWC has participated in the Festival Brat stand opportunity on the East side of Green Bay. The profits we have made have varied from year to year - a lot depends on the weather. Last year it was HOT, and I mean both the temperature was HOT and the sales were HOT!



We debated doing this again because it is a lot of work, and we did not have enough help. But, it is worth it and BCCWC is taking this on as a project for 2022 with some changes. First, we are doing 2 days, Thursday, **May 26** and Friday, **May 27**. These dates were chosen because it should not be so hot and everyone should be anticipating their first brat of the year! Second, we know a lot more this year than we did last year which includes having more help. If you are interested in helping us out with this, please let Julie know. There will be 2 hour shifts for you to volunteer and we will ask that you arrive 15 minutes before your shift and possibly stay 15 minutes after to transition workers. We already have a lot of volunteers! Thank you everyone who has volunteered so far. It looks like we need about 14 more. I know we can do it! Send Julie an email or text.

Julie Salemi (621-3954) jasalemi29@gmail.com, Chair

FELLOWSHIP

Sue, Bonnie, and Lynn are looking for a new team to lead Fellowship, beginning next year. They will meet with anyone who may be interested in this opportunity to be actively involved in the BCCWC. See us at the monthly meeting or email us to set up a time to chat and share ideas. New leaders will definitely be transitioned.

Here's what's happening yet this year! Hope you can join in the fun!

Fairy Wands: 18 members had a fun time enjoying lunch and creating individually unique fairy wands for their indoor and outdoor garden.



Upcoming Events:



Board & Brush Class: Create a personalized door mat to welcome family and friends to your door

- Friday, **April 8**, 2022, 1-3PM
- \$40 (very reasonable price for the size and personalization that's available)
- 235 N. Broadway (near the corner of Broadway and Dousman)
- Beer and wine available for purchase. You may bring snacks.
- If you signed up with Bonnie, use this link to see the many available styles.

- Register and pay on the website:

<https://boardandbrush.com/greenbay/events/bonnie-lemense-diy-doormat-workshop-235-04-08-2022-1pm-3pm/>

Access code is 2222

- Minimum: 11 members have signed up but only 5 have registered with Board and Brush. If we don't have 8 members registered by **April 6**, the event will be cancelled.
- Contact Bonnie LeMense with questions

Cooking Class: Cooking with Spices and Herbs FULL

- **April 18**, 2022, 6-7:30PM
- A Season to Taste at 2300 Lineville Road, Suite 107, Suamico

"Money and Margaritas on Mason Street" The first stop will be at Fast N Easy Pawn on East Mason Street to learn about the process of selling to a pawn shop and to see their wares. Next stop will be American Antiques and Jewelry on West Mason for Ladies Night to see what they have to offer and to learn about their business. There will be drawings and appetizers there. We'll end at Los Banditos for a margarita and dinner.



- Tuesday, **May 10**, 2022. Meet at 2PM at Fast N Easy Pawn, 1742 East Mason Street
- Bring something to be appraised or to sell if you'd like (nothing too large). You can compare appraisals after visiting both places.
- 17 members have signed up and most are planning to eat at Los Banditos after having their treasures appraised. Contact is Sue Sinclair.

NEW!! Retail Therapy! A Shopping Trip to Mayfair, IKEA and Trader Joe's on Friday, **May 13**



- \$52 for 25 participants, \$43 for 30 participants, \$37 for 35 participants. (Refunds, if any, will be given in cash on the bus.)
- Minimum of 25 needed. So far, 8 members have registered. See link on website for form.
- 2 pickups: Ashwaubenon at 7:30AM, Bellevue at 7:45AM. Return approximately 6:30PM.
- Lynn Arnesen is the contact for this trip. Registration form is online.

Standing Activities:

- The **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem, meets monthly.
- **Wednesday Mah Jongg** is held at the Ashwaubenon Community Center on Anderson Drive. Several members play each week. 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 is the contact for this. Betty will no longer be sending a reminder text so, mark your calendar for any Wednesday at 1PM.

Sue Sinclair (432-3428) upnative1979@yahoo.com,

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

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

BOOK CLUB

The book suggestion list for 2022-23 has been sent to the book club members to vote for their top 9 choices. If you would like the list, please email Meg as soon as possible. Voting is due **April 4**.

The next meeting will be at 1PM, **April 4**, at the Kress Library. We will discuss *Homegoing* by Yah Gyasi. This novel is the story of 2 half-sisters separated by forces beyond their control; 1 sold into slavery, the other married to a British slaver.

Book Summary:

Homegoing traces generations of family as their destinies lead them through 2 continents and 300 years of history, each life indelibly drawn, as the legacy of slavery is fully revealed in light of the present day.

Effia and Esi are born into different villages in 18th century Ghana. Effia is married off to an Englishman and lives in comfort in the palatial rooms of Cape Coast Castle. Unbeknown to Effia, her sister Esi is imprisoned beneath her in the castle's dungeons, sold with 1000's of others into the Gold Coast's booming slave trade, and shipped off to America where her children and grandchildren will be raised in slavery. One thread of *Homegoing* follows Effia's descendants through centuries of warfare in Ghana as the Fante and Asante nations wrestle with the slave trade and British colonization. The other thread follows Esi and her children into America. From the plantations of the South to the Civil War and the Great Migration, from the coal mines of Pratt



City, Alabama, to the jazz clubs and dope houses of 20th century Harlem, right up through the present day, *Homegoing* makes history visceral and captures, with singular and stunning immediacy, how the memory of captivity came to be inscribed in the soul of a nation.

The 2 final books before breaking for summer are sure to inspire some great discussions. Please join and read *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson for May and *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger for June. Questions? Contact Meg.

Meg Deem (920 288-9922) mmdeem0135@gmail.com, Chair

COMMUNICATIONS

IN MEMORIUM



Our dear friend, Bonnie Granius, passed away very unexpectedly, on March 16 in Green Bay. Bonnie was a charter member of BCCWC and an active Board member for many years. During her year as president, she played a major role in the club's incorporation process.

Bonnie was an active player both in marathon and duplicate bridge groups. Her bright smile, engaging personality and dedication to all that the BCCWC encompasses was apparent to all who knew her. As her dear friend, Nina Wargin, commented, "Whatever Bonnie went into, she gave it her all." Bonnie's obituary can be found at:

<https://www.cotterfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Bonnie-Granius?obid=24330857#/obituaryinfo>

No funeral arrangements have been set at this time. When that schedule is determined, Lizz Jayne, one of the Communications Co-Directors, will send an email. A book will be purchased and donated to the Brown County Library by the BCCWC in Bonnie's name. The specific book will be announced in a future newsletter.

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Leanne Snell, Co-Editors, BCCWC Communications Team
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