



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

November 2022

A MESSAGE FROM BCCWC PRESIDENT

November has always been a time to reflect and be grateful for the many blessings in our lives. Our BCCWC members continue to share their time and talents with those in need in so many ways. This month, there will be a number of collections: warm clothing collection for Wellspring, the Family Christmas gift collection, Cheery Notes collection for seniors and the ongoing collection of band-aids and small beanie boo stuffed animals for HSHS St Vincent Children's Hospital. Members will be providing a luncheon for the Fort Howard Senior residents and we will be providing meals starting November 3 in 2 locations – St. John's homeless shelter and Wellspring, 700 E. Walnut St. in the renovated Micah Center.

At our November meeting, we will be featuring Table-Top Accessories event - purses, scarfs etc. all donated by members and available to us for a donation. What a fun, new fundraiser and a great way to enhance our wardrobes. I am extremely proud of the many ways our members are helping others... such a caring and sharing group of women. I want to take this opportunity to wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving. May your holiday be filled with peace, love and joy. Be safe and enjoy this special time with your loved ones.



Carol De Grand, President



MEMBERSHIP

BCCWC welcomed 2 new members in October: *Jan McCambridge* and *Debra Marsh*, bringing our membership to 251.

Those interested in joining or renewing can find a form on our website www.bccwc.org or click on the link below:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769185667/2022-23+Membership+Application.pdf>

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MEETINGS REMINDER

Eighty members and 1 guest attended the October meeting at the De Pere Community Center. An informative demonstration on how to use the new defibrillator was given by Joe Kobiolak (EMT) and Sue Protzman, followed by a fruitful brainstorming session to get some new ideas for our club.

***** Wednesday, November 16 *****

De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant Street, West De Pere

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

Program: Speaker Steve Schauer from St. John's Ministries.

There will also be a Table-Top Accessories special event.

Reminder: *Collection for Cheery Notes to Seniors, Kathy Heyroth and Rosie Jonas, Co-Chairs; Collection for Wellspring, Kathy DeBroux and Susan Regnier, Co-Chairs; Return gifts for Christmas Families, Mary Ortmyer, Kay Barlament and Judy Niesing, Co-Chairs*



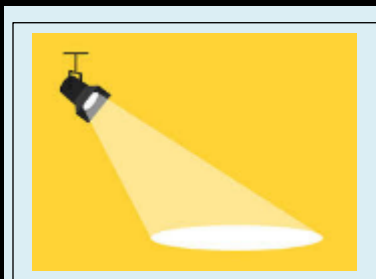
The registration form for our **December 21** Christmas luncheon at Tundra Lodge is now available. Sign up and join the fun. Registration deadline is **December 7**.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769293751/2022+December+Reservation.pdf>

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COMMUNITY AWARDS SPOTLIGHT!

Each year, BCCWC grants community awards that represent our mission of supporting women, children and seniors. Two of the grant recipients that support children are GLAD Camp for girls and BOLD camp for boys. Sessions are conducted on the St. Norbert College Campus over the summer. They each received \$1,000 grants to support their programs. BCCWC is listed as a sponsor on the SNC website.

GLAD Camp's exceptional program goals are based on developing girls' confidence and positive self-image by:

- Providing opportunities for young girls of all backgrounds to interact in a safe, small-group environment
- Enhancing appreciation of diversity and respect for others
- Developing a sense of self-worth, self-esteem, independence and self-reliance
- Recognizing and building healthy relationships
- Identifying, expressing and respecting emotions
- Developing respect and knowledge of their individual gifts and talents
- Promoting healthy life choices through nutrition and physical fitness
- Gaining knowledge and confidence in math, science and technology

BOLD™ camp provides boys with opportunities to explore their potential, while inspiring them to become thoughtful, confident, empathetic leaders. In a fun, supportive atmosphere, boys will work to become their personal best.

Goals and Objectives of BOLD:

- Build self-confidence and leadership skills
- Enhance appreciation of diversity and respect for others
- Improve the ability to communicate thoughts and ideas
- Promote healthy life choices through nutrition and physical fitness

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAT

Here is an opportunity for a member to make a new friend or for 2 old friends to volunteer together. New members, this a chance to get your feet wet and meet some of the others. All that is required is for you to be smiling and sedentary for a bit!

Cheery Notes for Seniors needs help. The job consists of collecting completed notes and distributing blank packs prior to monthly meetings. There will be a sign-up sheet for monthly volunteers at the Cheery Notes table during the **November 16** meeting. Please consider signing up for a month. Also, when the time comes, A Smile Bouquet would welcome help assembling beautiful flower bouquets for seniors in nursing homes. Both activities offer great ways to meet members and have fun. Contact one of the chairs if you are interested.



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RIBBON OF HOPE

Some of The Ribbon of Hope wreath decorators met at Pat Russo's home to work on wreaths to be given to cancer patients. Four were completed to donate and then we decided to create one to use in a BCCWC raffle. Three other wreaths were completed by individuals or small groups at their convenience. The wreaths will be displayed after November 15 at 301 North Washington St. Most of us would remember the building as the old Pranges or Younkens store.

We were charged with naming our wreaths. See if you can match the name with the picture: Cold Nose Warm Heart, Nestled in for Xmas, Ribbons of Hope, Owl be Cheering for You, A Blue-ti-ful Christmas and Merry Christmoose.



"Truck Load of Xmas Wishes"
made by Christine Gaulke

Sherry Campbell, Julie Arts,
Pat Russo, Mary Jo Piskor and
Beth Propp display some of
the completed wreaths

Remember to sort through any Christmas decorations you don't use anymore and bring them to our December meeting. We will use them next year for this wonderful community service opportunity.

Pat Russo (655-3990) prusso@new.rr.com, Chair

FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Come join the fun! Salads, casseroles and desserts for Fort Howard Apartments Seniors Fall is the time to share conversation and a delicious dinner with residents of Fort Howard Apartments. We will gather on **November 2**. The facility is located at 141 N. Chestnut Ave. Volunteers will check in, pick up BCCWC nametags and follow the timeline:

- Set up at 10:45AM - Picture at 11:30AM
- Brief meeting for last minute instructions 11:45AM
- Noon - Serve food - Clean-up 12:45PM

We encourage volunteers to car pool; bring change for metered parking. There will be a cart and helpers to assist carrying hot dishes. Serving utensils and potholders are provided by the facility. Clearly label your items so they can be returned to you. If a volunteer must deliver a dish early, call the office (488-4554) to inquire where to take your items. Thank you, volunteers. You are precious to us.

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ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES - ST. JOHN'S MEN'S SHELTER AND WOMEN'S SHELTER

We will be serving our first meal of the season on **NOVEMBER 3**. Those who signed up to take food to the Men's Shelter will deliver their food to the building right next to the church on St. John's Street. Just ring the door bell and someone will let you in to take the food to the kitchen. Jan will be at the Men's Shelter; Mary Kay will be at the Women's Shelter.

For those of you going to the Women's Shelter, it is located at 700 E. Walnut St. in the new Wellspring location, the renovated Micah Center building. To drop off your food, drive around to the back of the building by the door under the light. Then call 920-857-9587 WHILE YOU ARE STILL IN YOUR CAR to have someone come and open the door. I will also post the phone number on that door. (You can also knock, in case someone is standing nearby to open the door.)

We had a great sign up so we have most of the food for serving, but we still need the following:

- MEN'S SHELTER: 1 LARGE HOT VEGETABLE, 1 LARGE SALAD WITH DRESSING, 1 LARGE SUGARLESS JELLO WITH FRUIT
- WOMEN'S SHELTER: 1 LARGE VEGETABLE, 4 LOAVES OF GARLIC BREAD

Please deliver your food to the shelters between 5-5:30PM. We start serving the guests at 5:45PM. Thank you for your generosity. If you have questions, call Mary Kay or Jan:

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

Jan Clark (265-5744) janetclark71@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES – WELLSPRING, Clothing Donations

Our first Wellspring collection will be held **November 16** from 10:30AM-12:30PM in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center. Please look for a dark gray Hyundai Tucson and tan Subaru Outback to drop off your donations. The Wellspring guests are in need of the following winter items:

- winter jackets, long underwear tops and bottoms (sizes small to 2XL), gloves, hats, long socks, boots (sizes 6-11), Chapstick, hand cream, hand warmers, twin-size blankets. They try to avoid collecting any knit items, mittens and winter headbands.

The Wellspring guests and staff appreciate our members' generosity. Thank you!

Kathy DeBroux (660-7921) kmdebroux@gmail.com,

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

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS

In October, residents of Green Bay Health Services received 57 cheery notes from BCCWC. The majority of cards had a Halloween theme and were quite festive! Thank you for the overwhelming response this project received at the October meeting, both with the collection of completed cards as well as volunteers to help collect cards for upcoming meetings. There will be a sign-up sheet at the November meeting, if you are interested.



We will continue to collect completed cards as well as distribute "six packs" at our next meeting **November 16**. We will also have Christmas Cards available with our "six packs". The more completed cards we are able to collect, the more cheer we will spread to our area nursing home residents!

Questions? Call Kathy Heyroth or Rosie:

Kathy Heyroth (615-8062) oheyrothkathy@gmail.com,

Rosie Jonas (336-7057) rjonas@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY



The quilters at their October meeting - what a wonderful, creative and productive group!

Eight quilts are waiting at the Habitat for Humanity office for upcoming dedications. Forty-three quilts have been given to Habitat families since February 2016.

Kathy Belschner, a founding member of our group, passed away in April 2022. A big thank you to her family for donating her quilt items/fabric for the meeting. Donations of \$165 were collected for the BCCWC. A Packer wall hanging, made by Kathy, was raffled off at the recent Packer House Party.

Spring Meeting - Monday, May 22, 2023, 10AM at Polo Point Clubhouse

If you enjoy sewing and want a winter project, create a quilt for Habitat for Humanity new homeowners. For more information, contact one of the co-chairs:

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

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

Another great big Thank You to our very generous members!!! We collected 53 more blankets in October. Wellspring is officially opening their new facility November 1 and was overwhelmed with the beautiful donations. House of Hope also expressed their gratitude for our continued support. We also had hats, mittens, a cape, a baby sweater with matching cap and lap robes to donate 😊.



Please keep us in mind this winter when you look for a crafty project to work on during those cold, snowy days or when cabin fever sets in and you go shopping. We appreciate every single donation! We can't do this without YOU!

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Jean Allgeyer (639-2980) jmallgeyer@msn.com, Co-Chairs

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to so many of you! An amazing food drive took place at the October meeting! This very generous group outdid themselves again with many bags/boxes of groceries and monetary gifts for Manna for Life Ministries. The volunteers who greeted us at Manna for Life were overwhelmed with the kindness of this giving organization. We had enough food to fill 2 vehicles, but the organizers were able to pack it all into one. We are all so proud of this Club's generous hearts!

Faye Drankoff, Karen Genrich and Sue Erdmann, Co-Chairs

HOUSE OF HOPE

Inspiring a younger generation... priceless! Our "Grandmother" volunteer this month invited her grandchildren to participate in the Birthday Celebration! Three birthdays with a total of 21 adults and 16 children were the recipients of their kindness. Great job in teaching this important Life Lesson! Thank you for your generosity and wisdom. Cake and ice cream were enjoyed by all.

Thank you to all the volunteers who make a difference in the life of a child! If you would like to be a part of this monthly project, please contact:

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



6-year-old grandson, Grady, & 9-year-old granddaughter, Myla, assisted grandma, Dianne Smith

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

The Child Life Committee is busy creating projects for the holidays for the children at St. Vincent Children's Hospital. The treats bring them great joy at an otherwise challenging time.

There is still time to sign up to help decorate the Christmas trees for the children on **December 12**. If interested, please stop by the Child Life table at the **November 16** meeting for details.

As always, non-latex character band-aids and small (6-8 inch) stuffed animals or Beanie Boos are always needed and appreciated.



A big "thank you" in this month of Thanksgiving to all the BCCWC members who share their kindness and generosity with the children.

Kathy Aicher (265-5094) kaicher@new.rr.com,
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CHRISTMAS FAMILIES



Thank you to everyone who took an ornament from the Christmas Family Giving Tree. We are sponsoring 4 families for a total of 15 children. Each child will receive 3 wants and 3 needs. Please return the wrapped gifts with the ornament attached, or clearly mark the gift with the family number and child number. Bring the gifts to the De Pere Community Center meeting on **Wednesday, November 16**. We will be in the parking lot. If you are unable to attend, please call one of the chairpersons to arrange a pickup.

Thank you for helping make this Christmas holiday a special time for these families.

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FUNDRAISING

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

A “Table-Top Accessories” event will take place at the **November 16** meeting. Members are invited to donate purses, jewelry, belts, scarfs, etc. If you have a set (example: earrings and a bracelet), please put them together in 1 clear plastic bag. After the event, it will be up to you to pick up the items you donated. If you choose not to pick up your pieces, all items will be donated to a local charity organization.



There will be a **Christmas raffle** at the **December 21** luncheon.

One of our members, Bonnie Gould, is very graciously donating her time and supplies for her beautiful, custom-made bird houses. *All the profits will be given to BCCWC. The bird houses will only be on display at the **December 21** luncheon meeting.* There are no two alike. Each one is unique, authentic, one of a kind. In addition, there will be a raffle of a holiday wreath created by the Ribbon of Hope committee. They will make very special Christmas gifts for friends or loved ones in your family. *Remember that all donations will go to BCCWC.*

VERY SPECIAL NOTE: Golf Outing

We are in need of a Chair and Co-Chair. The golf outing brings in almost \$5,000. It is a fantastic fundraiser. Don't let the event fall between the cracks.



If you have any questions, please call Sue Protzman (217-3014)



It's probably not too early for you to be thinking about your Christmas lists. When you order things from Amazon, please use www.smile.amazon.com to start your shopping experience and choose BCCWC as your recipient. For each order that you place using www.smile.amazon.com, a small percentage of the sale will be returned to BCCWC. The cost is the same to you, so you have nothing to lose. Every little bit helps our fundraising. Please share this information with your children and grandchildren, so that they, too, can benefit BCCWC when they are ordering.

The first time you use the site, you'll be directed to select a charity which will benefit from your orders. Look for Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc. After the first time, it's automatic. If you have questions, just let us know.

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

PACKER HOUSE PARTY FUNDRAISER



A big THANK YOU to all who participated in the Packer House Party Fundraiser! *It was a huge success with profits of over \$6,000!* The only downside of the day was a Packer loss. However, that was overcome by super weather, great food and drink and exceptional desserts! This is the third time BCCWC was awarded an opportunity to use the Endries Home overlooking the Lambeau Field Atrium for a fundraising event. We are truly grateful. Needless to say, a good time was had by all 67 guests!!

Judy Benkowski and Helene Rosner, Co-Chairs

FALL CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER

More than 200 members and non-members enjoyed a fabulous afternoon at Thornberry Creek for the fall Card & Game Day. Despite a brisk wind, the day was bright and sunny and the atmosphere inside was festive and colorful. A wonderful lunch was followed by a variety of games - bridge, hand and foot, dominoes, 5 Crowns, Mah Jongg and others. Colorful insulated bags were given out to 25 door prize winners and specially embroidered towels were door prizes for a lucky few.



The famous Yum-Yum Shoppe



Eye-catching Raffle Baskets



Recognize these games? Hand & Foot – Mexican Train

As always, there were beautiful raffle prizes, unusual silent auction items, a money tree and, of course, a 50/50 raffle. Thanks to all who came to make this day a big fundraising success. Can't wait to see you all at the spring Card & Game Day. *Mark your calendars now for April 26.* Watch future newsletters for the registration form when it becomes available.

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

MAH JONGG FUNDRAISER

Last year's Mah Jongg card fundraiser was a success with BCCWC receiving \$214 back from the National Mah Jongg League. Mah Jongg players buy a new card each year. Buy your 2023 Mah Jongg card through our fundraiser and benefit BCCWC. Cards are \$14; large print cards are \$15. BCCWC will receive \$5 for each card ordered. The card will be mailed to your home and you will also receive the National Mah Jongg League annual newsletter. The form for ordering the card is available on the BCCWC.org website under the Fundraising tab or you may call/email Betty Jensen.

If you ordered a card last year, I already have your address. You can write a check to BCCWC and note on the memo line how many cards you want. If you prefer paying with cash, please put the cash in an envelope with a note stating your name and how many cards you want. PLEASE do not give me a stack of cash and a sticky note. Everything needs to be clear so there will be no mistakes.

The deadline for orders is **January 18, 2023**. Ask your Mah Jongg friends to buy their cards through BCCWC as well. Registration: <http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769289802/2023+MahJongg+card+order+form.pdf>

Betty Jensen (770-6642) bettyjensen48@gmail.com

FELLOWSHIP

FEEDING AMERICA

Donations and volunteers make an enormous impact on food insecurity through Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin. Ellen Greene, Mary Jo Piskor, Betty Jensen and Nancy Daniels toured the 45,000 square foot facility on October 24 and walked away very impressed.

Fun facts:

- Every \$1 donated to Feeding America pays for 4 meals, largely due to the ability to purchase in great volumes and the generous donations of hundreds of corporations and individuals.
- Only 2 cents out of each donated dollar goes to overhead. The rest goes to fulfilling its purpose, providing food to food banks throughout the area. That area includes the 29 food pantries in Brown County!



L: Ellen, Betty, Nancy, Mary Jo.

R: Mary Jo Piskor shows the relative size of a bag (one of many) of cereal that will be re-packaged by volunteers and trucked to various food pantries.

Nancy Daniels, Chair

Upcoming Outings:

Something New! "Dinner Dames" Supper Club

A lively group of 16 members met at Mackinaw's to discuss future dining outings. In fact, an extra date was added. ***You must sign up for each restaurant separately so we can alert the restaurant a few days in advance.*** Sign-up sheets for each restaurant will be available at all the monthly meetings or get in touch with the contact person. We hope you can join us for one or some or all of them!

Clip & Save: Meet @ 4:30PM. Order @ 5PM		
Date (Thursdays)	Location	Contact
November 10	Tavern in the Sky (Lodge Kohler)	Ellen Greene
January 19	Sammy's Pizza	Mary Schneider
February 23	Nakashima's	Beth Propp
March 30	St. Brendan's Inn	Mary Rahr
April 27	Prime Quarter	Mary Jo Piskor
May 25	Drift Inn	Elaine Gerhold

Tavern in the Sky details:

- We may not be able to have separate checks. (We will bring Post-it Notes to facilitate dividing up the bill. Everyone will write down her food and drinks with prices so we can speed up the "ciphering" process.)
- A 20% gratuity and 5.5% sales tax will be added to the bill. This should be figured into each individual bill.
- *Please let Ellen Greene know by **November 5** if you need to change your plans based on this information.* Text or call (920) 465-1894 or email ellengreene@me.com

Bingo!



It was fun! Ellen Greene won \$300, Lynn Arnesen won \$500 and Lynn's friend won \$88, so our table took in \$888! Seven members played bingo. Some used paper cards and dobbers. Others used the electronic machines. The cost ranged from \$19 to \$46, depending on how many cards you wanted to play.

Join us for 1 or both of the AM Express Sessions at the Irene Moore Activity Center (IMAC) near the Oneida Casino, 2100 Airport Drive. Free coffee and soda. You can bring in snacks.

- Fridays: **January 20** and **April 21** (*need not attend both sessions*)
- 10AM-12:30PM - Arrive early to pay and get set up. Bingo starts at 10:30AM. Bring a dobber and a highlighter, if you are playing paper packets.
- \$19 for basic paper packet. \$46 for electronic machine (you get more games). Extra games are available for purchase.
- Sign-up sheets will be at the monthly meetings or contact Lynn Arnesen: Lynn.arnesen@aol.com or text/call (210) 739-3941.

Neville Museum Outing: HerStory Exhibit



HerStory explores the changing roles and experiences of women in work, politics and their community through photographs, stories, and artifacts. Seventeen contemporary women were interviewed, their stories recorded, and personal artifacts loaned for this exhibition while 15 additional female stories and artifacts demonstrate change within time from 1900 to present.

- Wednesday, **November 2**, 10:30AM (This exhibit closes the following week.)
- Nine members registered at the fall meetings; all are welcome!
- Cost: Free to Brown County residents, \$7 for others (can view entire museum)
- Optional lunch afterwards at The Depot Gastropub (across Dousman/Main St.)

"A Season to Taste" Cooking Class - Soups and Sangria

Katherine Forrest, owner of Season to Taste, is offering classes exclusively for BCCWC members. This fall's theme is Soups and Sangria. Due to such a positive response at the fall meetings, **this class is full**. There will be another class in April.

- **Monday, November 21**, 6-7:30PM
- Cost: \$20 (10% discount on purchases that evening)
- Mail your check (payable to Lynn Arnesen) to 1406 Shannon St., Green Bay, WI 54304
- Email or text Lynn lynn.arnesen@aol.com, (201) 739-3941 with questions

Standing Activities:

- **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem with wonderful offerings as determined by the members.
- **Wednesday Mah Jongg** will continue to be held at the **Ashwaubenon Community Center** Anderson Dr. The site is easily accessible with plenty of parking. Games are played 1-3:30PM in the lobby area of the building. Betty Jensen is the contact person. If you are interested in playing on **any Wednesday**, text Betty at (920)770-6642 to be included in any texts related to it, or just show up. *Contact Sue Sinclair if you are interested in learning how to play Mah Jongg.*

Mark your calendar for 2023! Details and other events will be announced as they are finalized.

- **Hearing Aid Seminar:** **January 24**, 9AM, Village Grille. Bring a friend!
- **Allouez Village Band Concert:** **March 20**, 7PM, Ashwaubenon PAC
- **Cooking Class:** **April 17**, 6-7:30PM, Season to Taste. \$20. Theme: Spring Harvest

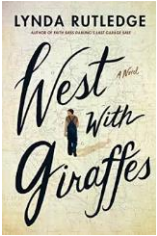
We will review the suggestions made at the October meeting. Please let any one of us know if you'd like to plan something or join the committee. We are happy to have other interests represented.

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BOOK CLUB

Now that fall has truly arrived, many of us are ready to snuggle in with a blanket and a good book. Here is your chance to join us for some book suggestions and a lively discussion. We will be meeting on **Monday, November 7**, at 1PM, at the Kress Library in the lower level. Our November book will be *There, There* by Tommy Orange. Hailed as an instant classic, *There, There* is at once poignant and unflinching, utterly contemporary and truly unforgettable.

Book Summary



A wondrous and shattering novel that follows 12 characters from Native communities: all traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow, all connected to one another in ways they may not yet realize. Among them: Jacquie Red Feather, newly sober and trying to make it back to the family she left behind; Dene Oxendene, pulling his life together after his uncle's death and working at the powwow to honor his memory; 14-year-old Orvil, coming to perform traditional dance for the very first time. Together, this chorus of voices tells of the plight of the urban Native American—grappling with a complex and painful history, with an inheritance of beauty and spirituality, with communion and sacrifice and heroism.

As many discovered at October's meeting, you don't need to like the book or even read it to share in the lively discussion! We would love to see you and hear how you are doing so, join us for this wonderful book discussion. The book for the **December 5** meeting will be *West with Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge. We start with lunch (at your own expense) at the Village Grille at 11:30AM. We will meet back at the Kress Library at 1PM. Please email me if you plan to attend, but know that you can still join us at the last minute.

The holidays and new year can get hectic so, here are the first couple books for 2023:

January 9, 2023	<i>Little Paris Bookshop</i> by Nina George
February 6, 2023	<i>Perpetual West</i> by Mesha Maren
March 6, 2023	<i>Next Year in Havana</i> by Chanel Cleeton

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

COMMUNICATIONS



REMEMBER: Turn your clocks back 1 hour the night of **Saturday, November 5**

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Margaret Georgia, Co-Editors

BCCWC Communications Team

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