



A MESSAGE FROM BCCWC PRESIDENT

As we enter the "giving" months, let us consider how each of us can be a blessing to someone in need. The November meeting finds us signing up for the Christmas families, shelter meals, the Fort Howard Apartments luncheon and various collections for those less fortunate in our community.



Our motto, "If everyone does a little, no one has to do a lot" might be edited to include the word "more" after little and a lot so that our outreach is even greater than usual. How might you make a difference during this time of thanksgiving? While the days are shorter, the need is greater.

Thanksgiving is one of my favorite holidays since it is about family, friends, food and football. May yours be all that you hope it to be.



Sue Sinclair, President

WISHING YOU ALL GOOD HEALTH

In one study, older adults who enjoyed leisure activities with others or volunteered were up to 17 percent more likely to maintain excellent physical, mental, and cognitive health than those who skipped such activities. Charity work, or doing games, gardening, or hobbies with others contributed most.

Source: International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, June 6, 2023



MEMBERSHIP

Please give a warm welcome to *Kathy Clevers*. BCCWC membership is at 256, which includes our newest member and deletes 2022-23 members who did not re-join this year.

Those interested in joining or renewing will find a form at www.bccwc.org or click on link below: http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769119042/2023-24+Membership+Application.pdf

Unable to print a form? Send your check and information/interests to: *Dianne Froelich, 3466 Peppergrass Drive, Green Bay, WI 54311*. If you are renewing, please highlight any changes from last year. Thank you.

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MEETINGS REMINDER

A total of 83 members and 1 guest attended the October general meeting at the De Pere Community Center. Because our original presenter was ill, Sue Protzman stepped in and gave an informative and *very entertaining* presentation on how to assemble a thorough and inexpensive first aid kit for home and car.

***Wednesday, November 15 ***

De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant St., West De Pere

Social - 12Noon Program - 1PM

Meeting - 1:45PM

Program: Janusz Kuzma from Mayflower Greenhouse will demonstrate how to arrange a holiday planter. Come join the fun.

Reminder: Collection for Wellspring Collection for Cheery Notes to Seniors Return gifts for Christmas Families Project



Members are reminded that guests are welcome to attend up to 2 meetings prior to joining the club.



Registration form for December 20 Holiday Luncheon at Tundra Lodge available at: http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769531718/December+Reservation+Form.pdf

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COMMUNITY SERVICE



FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Come help get the Fort Howard seniors into the holiday spirit.

Volunteers will be serving Fort Howard Apartments residents on Thursday, November 9. The facility is located at 141 N. Chestnut Ave. on the west side of Green Bay. To learn more about Fort Howard Apartments: http://forthowardapts.com. BCCWC cooks and bakers will be providing the tasty meal and extending friendship to the grateful residents. Volunteers should bring their delicious food items by 11AM. Contact Barb or Sherry to arrange an early drop off time.

Barb Berg (655-8590) <u>baberg73@hotmail.com</u>, Sherry Campbell (680-0778) <u>sherrysuej@new.rr.com</u>, Co-Chairs



ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES - HOMELESS SHELTER MEALS

The first meal of the season is November 2 at both the Men's Shelter on St. John's St. and the Women's Shelter in the back of Wellspring, 700 E. Walnut St. Members have been so generous that we now only need 2 PANS OF SUGARLESS JELLO WITH FRUIT for the Men's Shelter. Thank you!

Deliver your food items between 5-5:30PM to the shelters. Servers, please arrive between 5:15-5:30PM. If you have questions, call Jan Clark as Mary Kay will be out of town.

Mary Kay Paulson (632-7473 or 301-221-6327 cell) mkpaulson@aol.com, Jan Clark (265-5744 cell) janetclark71@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES - WELLSPRING

The first collection for guests at Wellspring will be November 15 from 10:30AM-12:30PM in the De Pere Community Center parking lot. Look for the cars with open trunks to drop off your donations. Wellspring requests that we avoid collecting knitted items. Needed cold-weather items include:

- Winter jackets, long underwear tops and bottoms (SM-2XL)
- Gloves, hats, long socks and boots (6-11)
- Hoodies, sweatshirts (SM-3XL)
- Chapstick, hand warmers, twin-size blankets

The Wellspring guests and staff always appreciate the generosity of our members.

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



CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS

In October, residents of Bellevue Senior Living received 43 fall crafts created by Jaxson, a young relative of Jean Allgeyer, plus 117 Halloween and fall notes and 10 birthday greeting cards. Thank you for the overwhelming response to this project.

Completed cards and "six packs", including Christmas cards, will be collected at our November 15 meeting. The more completed cards collected, the more cheer BCCWC spreads to our area nursing home residents! Questions? Contact:

Kathy Heyroth (222-0161) oheyrothkathy@gmail.com, Rosie Jonas (336-7057) rjonas@new.rr.com, Jeanette Krysiak (655-6928) jeanettekrysiak@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

ONE STITCH AT A TIME

A great BIG thank you to generous members who donated to the October blanket collection: 43 blankets, 1 shawl, many hats and several pairs of socks. They are all beautiful and greatly appreciated. Several donations of yarn arrived at just the right time for winter projects. Wellspring and House of Hope were the lucky recipients of these lovely donations. Questions? Contact:



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

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES



We are sponsoring 5 families this year. Each child receives 3 wants and 3 needs. There were 108 tags at the October meeting for members to choose from. Also available were gift cards to purchase that are given to parents. *All tags are gone*, but if you wish to contribute, you can purchase a gift card to Walmart or Festival for any denomination. Please bring wrapped gift, with the tag attached, to the November 15 BCCWC meeting at the De Pere

Community Center. *Questions? Unable to bring gift to the meeting?* Contact any co-chair. A HUGH thank you to all members making this project a success again. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



Living Hope Church was the recipient of 46 bags of food and a cash donation. They were very happy to receive all the food from our generous members, especially the tuna and pasta. *Thank you!*

Linda Shores (241-9895) <u>lindashores1@gmail.com</u>, Nancy Cohen (222-6747) <u>mncohen4@gmail.com</u>, Co-Chairs

RIBBON OF HOPE

Twelve festive wreaths are in various stages of progress by 6 artistic BCCWC members. These wreaths will be donated to Ribbon of Hope, who will distribute them to families dealing with cancer, in time for the holidays. The wreaths will be displayed in the windows of the old Younkers store on Washington St. beginning Friday, November 17 through the end of November. They will be taken down and delivered to the families on Friday, December 1.

Wreaths are designed and donated by many local organizations and businesses. Look for the 12 created and designed by BCCWC members, including "Frosty and Friend", "Sno Cute" and "Winterland Wonder". Be sure to check them out when you're doing your holiday sightseeing downtown.



"Sneak preview" of one of the BCCWC wreaths

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

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Eight years ago, our quilting group was started. We have 2 meetings a year - May and October. Forty-six quilts have been presented to new Habitat for Humanity homeowners. Two staff members of Habitat for Humanity explained their roles and the criteria that applicants are required to have to obtain a Habitat home. The staff members remarked, "The quilts have always meant a lot to the team and the families; however, after the meeting today they are 10x more special. You could feel the love in the room today and that was amazing!!"

Our wonderful volunteer machine quilter was also at the meeting. She makes everything come together:





If you would like to create lap-sized quilts for Habitat for Humanity, please contact:

Mary Schrickel (609-4651) <u>mary habitat@hotmail.com,</u> Gina Reinardy (664-6501) <u>ginareinardy@gmail.com</u>, Co-Chairs

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

Twenty-two bags filled with Halloween surprises for infants, toddlers, school-age children and teens were filled to be distributed to the children at Halloween. Many thanks to the ladies that helped assemble these bags to bring the fun of 'Trick or Treating' to the hospitalized children. The Child Life Department is grateful for the continued generosity of Crayola markers, stuffed animals and character band aids. The comfort and smiles they bring are immeasurable.

Kathy Aicher (465-1600) kaicher@new.rr.com, Sue Vyse (562-3273) smvyse@gmail.com, Co-Chairs



Mary Van, Sue Vyse, Marilyn Lemerond, Kathy Aicher, Mary Jo Piskor, Sue Sinclair, Barb Zich, Carol De Grand, Terri Lewis, Barb La Frombois, Jane Klozotsky created "boo-tiful" trick-or-treat bags of goodies.

HOUSE OF HOPE



The birthday celebration continues! Our generous volunteer delivered the cake and ice cream for the 28 residents at the shelter. Thank you for making their day brighter.

If you can help make a difference in the life of a homeless child, please volunteer for this monthly activity. Your time and kindness are greatly appreciated!

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

Mary Anne Froelich (639-4847) maryannefroelich@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

LOVABLE MISFITS



Thanks to all who made misfits or blankets for October. This is an ongoing mission and Mary Anne will be at the November 15 meeting to collect any misfits or blankets you make. Also donated at the meeting were 3 bundles of fleece (including Packer fleece), a box of Ziploc bags, and flannel and fleece already cut and ready to be made into dolls. Finished products: 8 quilted blankets, 7 new misfits and 4 "kit" misfits that were distributed last month.

Thank you so much for your wonderful support.

Mary Anne Froelich (639-4847) maryannefroelich@gmail.com, Chair

SMILE BOUQUET

A BIG thank you to the ladies who helped make 57 beautiful flower arrangements at a recent Smile Bouquet project. Delivered to Clarity Care were 25 bouquets - clients were outside on picnic tables waiting for us, clapping and full of excitement. It was so much fun and gratifying. Also, 32 bouquets were delivered to residents at 2 facilities of Century Ridge Assisted Living in Bellevue. To date, we have made 266 bouquets and delivered them to 10 different facilities throughout the area.





Thank you all for supporting this worthwhile project and for bringing smiles to so many.

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

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising October 2023

Book Exchange \$ 33
October 50/50 raffle (winner Jean Baravetto) 98
Surprise Raffle Picture (winner Pearl Hahn) 113
Cookie Decorating class 200

At the November 15 general meeting, a Holiday Tasty Treats idea will be presented, to be carried out at the holiday luncheon in December. Share your Traditional Holiday recipes, those recipes your loved ones look forward to each year at Christmas and are disappointed if you do not make them.

Some examples are those special cookies or candies, coffee cake, rolls, pies, fudge, caramels, peanut clusters, caramel sauce, party mix.

Members are asked to make their holiday treats for the club in December. Make a plateful to share and include the recipes. A donation will be asked for the samples of the items you bring.





If you wish to bring a Holiday Tasty Treat, contact Darlene Rohm. Signup sheets will be available at the November 15 meeting. Also at the meeting, there will be the 50/50 raffle and candy bars available for a donation.

Note: At the October meeting, Sue Protzman presented information about items that should be in a first-aid kit in our cars. Members have asked for a list of those items. That list will be included in the December newsletter.

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SURPRISE RAFFLE



Surprise Raffle at the November meeting? The outdoor winter planter created in front of our eyes by presenter Janusz Kuzma from Mayflower Greenhouse will be the surprise raffle prize. It will make a lovely addition to your holiday home.

Tickets 3/\$2 - what a deal!

COOKIE DECORATING CLASS





In October, 10 women gathered at Mary Jo Piskor's home to learn the art of decorating cookies, this time in a fall and Halloween motif. Mary Jo graciously donated all the ingredients resulting in a \$200 fundraiser!

Another class will be offered in February.

CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER

On warm Wisconsin fall day, more than 200+ game-loving people joined the festivities at Riverside Ballroom for the fall Card & Game Day Fundraiser on Wednesday, October 25. Colorful decorations brought fall inside, fabulous raffle prizes, a new \$5 grab bag, along with the "sip and surprise", 50/50 and Money Tree raffles enticed party-goers to join in the fun. The Yum Yum Shoppe was, as always, filled with tempting treats to take home. Lunch was chicken cordon bleu with vegetables and Riverside's famous knee caps for dessert. Of course, the initial socializing was followed by a variety of games in the afternoon.

One of the BCCWC's major fundraisers, the event was a huge success! A big thank you to everyone who contributed to the event and especially everyone who attended. Mark your calendars now for the spring event, April 24, 2024.

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Greeter Extraordinaire

Fabulous Raffle Table

Raffle Ticket Hawkers





Bridge Tables

Guests included Hand & Foot Players





Table Décor by Mayflower Greenhouse

Yum Yum Yum Yum





Social Hour

Sold Out!

FELLOWSHIP

Please read carefully as some changes have occurred for some activities. Details will also be shared at the monthly meetings. **Please refer to your directory for contact phone numbers**.

Upcoming Outings:

"Dinner Dames Supper Club"

It's always a nice time trying a new restaurant and meeting new friends. Please join us!

Schedule for 2023-24

Last Thursday of the month; 5PM

Date (Last Thursday of Month)	Restaurant	Contact(s)	
Nov. 30 (reservations due by Nov. 26)	The Union Hotel	Moni Spaude	
Jan. 25 (reservations due by Jan. 21)	Sammy's Pizza	Patty Payette	
Feb. 29 (reservations due by Feb. 25)	Prime Quarter	Kathy Eisenschink	
Mar. 28 (reservations due by Mar. 24)	Stella's	Darlene Rohm	
Apr. 25 (reservations due by Apr. 21)	St. Brendan's Inn	C. DeGrand, K. Aicher	
May 30 (reservations due by May 26)	The Drift Inn	E. Gerhold, L. Aschenbrenner	

"Lunch Bunch Ladies" 2023-24 Calendar

First Thursday of the Month; 11:30AM

We still need restaurant contacts for March and May or they will be canceled. Contact Beth Propp.

Sign-up sheets will be at the meetings.

Date (First Thursday of Month)	Restaurant/Location	Contact	
Nov. 2 (reservations due by Oct. 30)	Los Banditos	Meg Deem	
Dec. 7 (reservations due by Dec. 4)	Grapevine Café*	Kathy Aicher	
Jan. 4 (reservations due by Dec. 29)	Parker John's BBQ	Sue Sinclair	
Feb. 1 (reservations due by Jan. 29)	Mandarin Gardens	Barb LaFrombois	
Mar. 7 (reservations due by Mar. 4)	Chive's		
Apr. 4 (reservations due by Apr. 1)	Greystone	Jacquie Murphy	
May 2 (reservations due by April 29)	Bleu		
June 6 (reservations due by June 3)	Narrow Bridge	Lynn Arnesen	
Aug. 1 (reservations due by July 29)	The Drift Inn	Elaine Gerhold	
*Change of venue due to St. Brendan's not being open for lunch			

Chicago Shopping Trip! Join Lynn Arnesen as she leads a Lamers Bus Trip to the Windy City on Saturday, November 4! You have 3 options on how to spend your time.

- Drop off at either Michigan Avenue, Navy Pier or the Museum Campus
- Contact Lynn Arnesen to register or check out the Lamers website golamers.com for details
- Cost is \$73 per person

Coming Up! Sign-up sheets will be available at the monthly meetings:

- Cooking Class @ Season to Taste—November 7 @ 6PM \$25. Theme: Gifts from the Kitchen.
- Contact Lynn Arnesen. There's still room! We need 7 more registrations. Bring a friend! Register today!
 - Mosaic Glass Art Class—November 14 @ 5PM \$50. Includes glass project, light supper and drinks. We still need 2 participants. Contact Lynn Arnesen. November 15 class canceled due to low enrollment.
 - See <u>Barb's Glass Studio</u> on FB to see examples of the fun things you can make!
 - Mulva Center—POSTPONED due to delayed opening. Beatles Exhibit. Cost TBD. Contact Ann Hare.

- AVB Holiday Concert—December 18 @ 7PM @ The Weidner Center. Cost: Free! Contact: Ann Hare.

 Stay tuned! January—June 2024 Events:
- Bingo January 19 Oneida Bingo Hall 10AM \$19. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Movie De Pere Cinema January 22 @ 5PM. Possible fundraiser. Contact Ann Hare.
- Shop 'til You Drop! February 27, 4-6PM Taylor Creek. Contact Patty Payette.
- Mosaic Art Glass Class March 13 @ 12Noon \$50. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Help with Planning a Funeral April 9 @ 9AM @ Village Grille. Contact Joan Zittlow.
- Bingo January 19 and April 19 Oneida Bingo Hall 10AM \$19. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Cooking Class at Season to Taste April 22, \$25. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Lunch & Learn at Zimbaldi's Brewery & Gallagher's Pizza May 31 @ 11AM. Contact Sue Sinclair.

Standing Activities:

- BCCWC Bunco is coordinated by Carey Lheureux. If you are interested in being a sub, let Carey know.
 No experience necessary.
- **Mah Jongg** continues as members agree to meet. *Due to Betty Jensen's move out of the area, we are looking for a new contact person.* Let Sue Sinclair know if you are interested.
- Book Club, led by Meg Deem, is all set for 2023-24. See below for member-picked selections.

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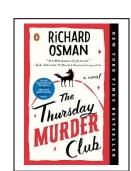
BOOK CLUB

Now that fall has arrived, many of us are ready to snuggle in with a blanket and a good book so, here is your chance to join us for murder and mayhem. We will meet Monday, November 6, from 1-2:30PM at the downtown main Central Branch Library in the 2nd floor board room. (This location has metered parking on the street or in the parking lot behind the library.) Our book is *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman.

"Don't trust anyone, including the 4 septuagenarian sleuths in Osman's own laugh-out-loud whodunit."
—Parade

Book summary:

Four septuagenarians with a few tricks up their sleeves, a female cop with her first big case, and a brutal murder. Welcome to The Thursday Murder Club. In a peaceful retirement village, 4 unlikely friends meet weekly in the Jigsaw Room to discuss unsolved crimes; together they call themselves the Thursday Murder Club. When a local developer is found dead with a mysterious photograph left next to the body, the Thursday Murder Club suddenly find themselves in the middle of their first live case. As the bodies begin to pile up, can our unorthodox but brilliant gang catch the killer, before it's too late?



Upcoming:

December 4, 2023 The Lost Jewels by Kirsty Manning

• January 8, 2024 The Wright Sister by Patty Dann (2nd Monday due to New Years holiday)

February 5, 2024 Fresh Water for Flowers by Valerie Perrine
 March 4, 2024 The Girls in the Stilt House by Kelly Mustain

<u>December 4 meeting</u>: Start with lunch (own expense) at Village Grille 11:30AM. Meet back at the Kress Library at 1PM. *Please email Meg Deem if you plan to attend but you can still come at the last minute*. Bring friends, neighbors or family members. You may attend regularly or whenever time permits.

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

WILLS & TRUST SEMINAR

Fellowship hosted a Wills and Trusts Seminar with Attorney Mary Rose Orcutt at Village Grille on October 23. Twenty-five members and some of their spouses attended this informative session. Attorney Orcutt spoke

about what one should have in their will and the difference between a will and a trust. A guestions and answers session followed.





Submitted by Lynn Arnesen

WINTER PLANTER CLASS - MAYFLOWER

After you see the creation of a winter planter at the November meeting, you may want to build one of your own. If you are interested in gathering at Mayflower Greenhouse on Thursday, November 30 in the afternoon to "build your own", please contact Nancy Daniels. You are welcome to invite a friend, too. You can bring a pot you already own, or you can purchase one there. Mayflower will have all the greenery and extra things that you will want to use. You can also bring along decorative touches that you want to use that you already own. There is no charge, other than for whatever supplies you purchase there in making your planter (or decorating a wreath). A minimum of 10 participants is needed to do this. It will likely take 1-2 hours.



Welcome in the holiday season with a festive planter



Creations made by BCCWC members at a similar event a few years ago

Nancy Daniels (471-6689) danielsna@aol.com

FALL PLANTING CLASS

On the last of the unseasonably warm October afternoons, BCCWC ladies met at Mayflower Greenhouse to create beautiful fall planters. Using kale, cabbage, hydrangeas and lots of other fall beauties, they each created a beautiful planter to transition into fall.

Always a fun time, in less than 2 hours, each went home with a special planter to welcome in the fall season!



Showing off their beautiful creations - Peggy Olsen, guest Liz Wilson, Wendy Swiatnicki, Mary Schroeder, Jacquie Murphy and Nancy Daniels. (Missing - Margaret Georgia, who had to leave early with her special planter.)

COMMUNICATIONS



Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

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