

BCCWC

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



2023

A MESSAGE FROM BCCWC PRESIDENT

As our evenings lengthen, we begin to realize that fall is only 22 days away. It's hard to believe that there are only a few months left in 2023. But that doesn't mean that BCCWC is going to rest on its laurels in terms of service to the community. I'm so proud of our club and what it accomplishes each year! I'm confident that all the good works will continue with the vibrant membership that comprises our club. So in the 2023-24 year of BCCWC, let's have some fun as we "strive to be happy, to make others happy and let us, dear Lord, be kind to one another."

It's an honor to serve as your president.

Sue Sinclair, President



MEMBERSHIP

BCCWC starts the 2023-2024 year off with 269 members. Since the last newsletter, 1 new member has joined. BCCWC welcomes Marla Jean Lee.

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

If you are unable to print a form, please send your check, along with your 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.

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

Mary M. Schroeder (676-1500) schroedermary949@gmail.com,

Cindy Dimmer (639-3843) cindydimmer4@gmail.com, Membership Co-Directors

MEETINGS REMINDER



BCCWC 2023 FALL KICK-OFF LUNCHEON and MEETING

Wednesday, September 20 - Rock Garden, 1951 Bond St., Green Bay

11AM Social 12Noon Lunch 1PM Entertainment 1:45PM Meeting

Entertainment: The Speako Chords. *Please join us for a fun-filled afternoon.*

THIS LUNCHEON IS OPEN TO GUESTS. (Note: No take-home boxes will be available.)

Reservations due by Wednesday, September 6.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769475811/2023+Fall+Luncheon+Reservation+.pdf>

Carol Mau (227-3542) zinniea60@gmail.com,

Susan Byrne (708-860-8878) susan.byrne@cbexchange.com,

Sue Vyse (562-3273) smvyse@gmail.com, Program/Social Co-Directors

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COMMUNITY SERVICE



FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Please mark your calendars for the Fort Howard luncheon to be held on **Thursday, November 9, 10:20AM – 1PM.**

There will be a sign up at the September and October regular meetings.

Barb Berg (655-8580) baberg73@hotmail.com,

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

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES: HOMELESS SHELTER MEALS



BCCWC members will again be providing meals this season (November - April) to both the Men's Shelter on St. John's Street and the Women's Shelter at the rear of the Wellspring location at 700 East Walnut Street. We will be serving on the same monthly date as years past: the **first Thursday** of each month: **November 2, 2023; December 7, 2023; January 4, 2024; February 1, 2024; March 7, 2024; and April 4, 2024.** We will also keep our same popular menu of lasagna, hot vegetable, salad, garlic bread, jello with fruit, dessert, milk and juice. For members who wish to contribute, the sign-up sheets will be available

starting at our **September 20** luncheon at Rock Garden. There will be an explanation of what to do and any questions will be answered. BCCWC members have generously given food, time and attention month after month, year after year, to this worthy community service. The guests are so appreciative and we always have fun! We look forward to speaking with you.

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

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

ST. JOHN MINISTRIES - WELLSPRING

Welcome back to another great year of helping to make the lives of Wellspring guests a little better! A message of appreciation was received from the case manager at Wellspring thanking BCCWC for a generous community award which will be used for future needs.

The first Wellspring collection of the year will be held on **November 15** before the monthly meeting. Please check the October newsletter for more information on the upcoming collection.

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

Susan Regnier (499-8987) skr1176@hotmail.com, Co-Chairs

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS



Cards will be collected at the **September 20** fall luncheon and the recipient nursing home will be determined after that September collection. If you are stumped on what to write, look for ideas on the internet (greeting note ideas, cheery note ideas, etc.), draw a simple picture (a smiley face, a rainbow, the sun, etc.) and add a note such as "smile & shine"; find a simple motivational quote on the internet or write a note from your heart. Anything you write is fine! Feel free to use cards you have at home or ask for cards at the meeting, write the cards and return them the following month. Because of our generous membership, we have blank cards to share.

Remember: the more notes we collect, the more smiles we will pass on to our area nursing home residents.

Kathy Heyroth (615-8062) 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



Here it is September already. The next collection for blankets will be **October 18** at the De Pere Community Center before the monthly meeting. Jean and Pat will be there from 10:30-12Noon. If you need to drop off things earlier, let Pat or Jean know. Knit, crocheted or store-bought blankets are all appreciated. Twin size works well. These blankets will go to House of Hope for mothers, babies and children and

to Wellspring for women. Thank you very much!!

Pat Hearnden (432-5871 or 217-3824) phearden@aol.com,

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

CHRISTMAS FAMILIES



BCCWC will again sponsor the Christmas Family Project. At the **October** meeting, there will be the Christmas tree with ornaments listing a gift for a sponsored child. Each ornament will have an age, gender and a suggested item. Members choose an ornament and return the wrapped gift at the **November** meeting. Last year, 15 children from the Green Bay area were recipients of these gifts. Let us, again, make this a joyous Christmas for some needy children.

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

Judy Niesing (217-3907) Jjrnie96@aol.com,

Mary Ortmyer (676-5903) maryortmayer@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

A SMILE BOUQUET



We will be creating over 50 bouquets for a couple of nursing homes on **September 7** from 1-3PM at Josten Park, 2280 Town Hall Road in Bellevue. Please join us for an afternoon of creativity.

We could use flowers from our members that would look good in bouquets: black-eyed Susans, hydrangeas, dahlias, etc. If you have flowers to donate or want to help create the bouquets, please contact one of the chairs below. It's a lot of fun and brings smiles to a lot of senior citizens!

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

Barb LaFrombois (660-8162) dblafrombois1@att.net,

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

RIBBON OF HOPE

The Ribbon of Hope project is a creative outlet to benefit families dealing with cancer. BCCWC members decorate holiday wreaths and Ribbon of Hope distributes them to families. There will be a sign-up sheet at the **September 20** luncheon. If you cannot be at the luncheon but would like to sign up, text chairperson Pat Russo to indicate your interest. Work will start sometime in October with an organizational meeting to plan and a few times after that to decorate the wreaths.

Pat Russo (655-3990), Chair



Ribbon of Hope decorated wreaths are displayed in the old Prange's/Youngers windows on Washington St. for a few weeks before being distributed to appreciative families dealing with cancer.

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Fall Meeting - Monday, October 2, at 10AM at Polo Point Clubhouse, 850 DeSoto Circle, Hobart

Learn more about Habitat for Humanity at our upcoming meeting. What impact does a Habitat for Humanity home have on our community? How much does a Habitat for Humanity home cost? What are some fundraising projects organized by Habitat to support its mission of providing homes to qualified families? Brenda Schwechler, Family Services Director, and Laura Seroogy, Director of Philanthropy, are excited to attend our fall meeting to answer these and other questions we have about the Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity.

If you enjoy sewing and would like to create lap-sized quilts for Habitat for Humanity, please join us on **Monday, October 2**. Since February, 2016, the BCCWC has presented 46 quilts to new Habitat for Humanity owners.



Come to the **October 2** meeting and hear more about these two beautiful quilts recently given to us by a BCCWC member:

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

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

Welcome back to another wonderful year of supporting the 'Child Life Department' of HSHS St. Vincent Children's Hospital in putting smiles on the faces of health-challenged children/teens.

The Child Life Committee is excited to announce that the 'Child Life Collection' will be held at the **September 20** luncheon meeting! Please note that the collection will be taking place at the Child Life table rather than in the parking lot. Items requested, and most needed, are:

- Crayola Markers (any color, any size, 8-pack)
- Infant Rattles
- Stuffed Animal (no larger than 8-10 inches)



Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

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



LOVABLE MISFITS AND QUILTED BLANKETS

Interested in being a Lovable Misfit creator?

Sign up and get directions.

Samples will be provided.

All will be available at the September Luncheon.

Stop by our table and check us out!

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

FUNDRAISING

The September luncheon will be a fun time to see friends after the summer, and to participate in some interesting fundraising opportunities. Bonnie Gould will have her beautiful bird houses on display, all for a reasonable donation to BCCWC. All of Bonnie's supplies and labor (of love) she spends on these birdhouses are donated to the club. They're all one-of-a-kind, so take a look. Great conversation pieces in gardens, great gifts for gardening friends.



There will also be a special raffle for a wonderful, famous cheese cake donated by Christine Gaulke's husband, Patrick.

Of course, there is the opportunity to be part of the ever famous 50/50 raffle.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on September 20.

Sue Protzman (217-3014) protz511@new.rr.com,
Sue Buriich (865-7731) suebee1881@gmail.com,
Darlene Rohm (303-870-6400) darlenehh@yahoo.com, Fundraising Co-Directors

PACKER HOUSE PARTY FUNDRAISER - SEPTEMBER 17, 2023



There are still a few openings for the Packer House Party fundraiser on **Sunday, September 17, 2023**, with an opportunity to watch the Green Bay Packers play the Atlanta Falcons at a fabulous Packer House overlooking the Lambeau Field Stadium!

The day begins at 11AM. You won't want to miss a day that includes appetizers, a meal, beverages (soda, wine, beer, and cocktails of your choice), basket raffles, 50/50 raffle, door prizes and, of course, **LOTS OF FUN!**

The event is limited to 50 people – open to BCCWC members and their spouses, family, and friends at a donation price of \$80. (\$60 of this amount is a tax-deductible donation to the club.)

The reservations will be FILLED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS. A reservation form can be found at:

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769476995/2023+Packer+House+Party+Registration.pdf>



Please note that your name will not be counted in the reservation numbers until your registration form and payment is received! Thank you in advance for supporting this fundraiser. It's a great opportunity to watch a Packer game at a unique "Packer House" overlooking LAMBEAU!

GO PACK GO!

Helene Rosner (680-7145) hmrosner@new.rr.com,

Judy Benkowski (819-9197) jbenkowski1@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER



If you attended the spring Card & Game Day at Riverside last April, you saw how beautiful it was and how well they took care of our event. The Fall Card & Game day is a short 7 weeks away, on **October 25**.

The registration form is online now. Registrations are due by **October 11**. There will be gorgeous raffle baskets, a money tree, the "Sip and Surprise" and, of course, the 50/50 raffle. In addition, the committee is planning a new grab bag opportunity.

- **When:** **October 25, 10AM-4PM.**
- **Where?** Riverside Ballroom (This year's menu includes their famous Knee Caps!)

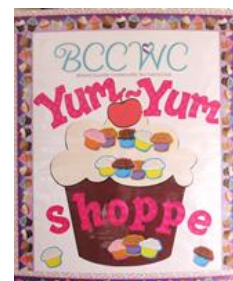
• **What games can you play?** Bridge, Mah Jongg, Dominoes, Horse Collar - whatever you want.

• **How do I sign up?** Find the registration form at this link and send it in.

<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769476993/2023+Fall+Cd++Gm+registration+form.pdf>

Be sure to spread the word among your friends. It's a big event and it will be here before you know it.

In addition to the fun and games, the famous **YUM-YUM SHOPPE** will be a big part of the Card and Game Day. Please volunteer to bring your special baked treats to donate to the Yum-Yum Shoppe. There will be a sign-up sheet at the luncheon and at the October general meeting. All the money raised is pure profit. Donated baked goods help to raise lots of money to give back to charitable causes. Look for Jacquie Murphy and Pam Girtz at the September luncheon; they will explain how to package your goods. Our members **ROCK!**



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

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Teddy Spiegelberg (497-1683 or 217-2555) teddysp@aol.com, Co-Chairs

BRIDGE MARATHONS



BCCWC's 2023-24 bridge season started in June with the Full Deck group. In September, the other 10 bridge marathon groups will be playing in full swing. We would like to give special recognition to Anne Gollnick who stepped down after 10 years as one of the co-chairs of the bridge marathons. We are sincerely grateful for her dedicated service to these groups!



Anne Gollnick

Judy Niesing, who is an authorized ACBL bridge director, will take Anne's place on the team. The bridge marathons are a fundraiser for BCCWC. We are happy to report that the 2022-23 bridge marathons added over \$5,100 to the community awards piggy-bank! Thanks to everyone for your continued support of this important fundraiser! If you would like more information about our bridge groups or would like to be a sub, please contact Carol Simpson. We look forward to another fun and fabulous bridge season!

Carol Simpson (217-6220) simpsoncj4310@gmail.com,
Gloria Jonet (336-9456) gloriajonet@yahoo.com,
Judy Niesing (217-3907) Jjrnie96@aol.com, Co-Chairs

FELLOWSHIP

Ready, set, go! Come join your fellow members as we enjoy an array of activities that are sure to help us get to know one another in a fun setting. Read below to learn more about the offerings. Details will also be shared at monthly meetings. Please refer to your directory for contact phone numbers.

Upcoming Outings:

"Dinner Dames Supper Club!"

Our first outing will be at **Little Tokyo, 121 N. Broadway in Green Bay**. Go to www.greenbaysushi.com to see the menu which includes sushi, egg rolls, Thai food, soups and salads, wine, beer and martinis, deep-fried bananas with chocolate sauce and lots more! Let's go on a culinary adventure together! **Register today!!!**

"Dinner Dames" Schedule for 2023-24 Meet @ 5:00 PM

Date (Last Thursday of Month)	Restaurant	Contact(s)
Sept. 21* (due to Packers game conflict)	Little Tokyo	C. Simpson, S. Protzman**
Oct. 26 (reservations due by Oct. 22)	Ten O One Club	Lynn Arnesen
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

****text your reservation to either of them to register by September 18.**

You Asked for It!

"Lunch Bunch Ladies" 2023-24 Calendar

First Thursday of the Month; 11:30AM—Register today for the The O.C. on the river!

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

Sign-up sheets will be at the meetings.

Date (first Thursday of Month)	Restaurant/Location	Contact
Sept. 7 (reservations due by Sept. 2)	The O. C.	Beth Propp
Oct. 5 (reservations due by Oct. 2)	Plank Road Plate & Pour	
Nov. 2 (reservations due by Oct. 30)	Los Banditos	Meg Deem
Dec. 7 (reservations due by Dec. 4)	St. Brendan's Inn	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	Mary Jo Piskor
June 6 (reservations due by June 3)	Narrow Bridge	Lynn Arnesen
Aug. 1 (reservations due by July 29)	The Drift Inn	Elaine Gerhold

Encore Activity: Bingo!

It was so much fun with a few winners last year that we are going again! Join us for any of the sessions.

- **Fridays: October 20, January 19, April 19**
- 10AM-12:30 PM
- \$19 for basic packet. Extra games are available for purchase.
- **Irene Moore Activity Center (IMAC) 2100 Airport Drive**
- Sign-up sheets will be at the monthly meetings or contact Lynn Arnesen.

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 find the information at this link:
<http://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769497046/Chicago+Your+Way+11-4.pdf>
- Cost is \$73 per person.

Here's more for fall! Sign-up sheets will be available at the monthly meetings:

- **Movie Night—September 26** @ 5PM at De Pere Cinema. Contact Ann Hare.
- **Cookie Decorating Class—October 2** @ 9AM (\$20, this is a fundraiser). Mary Jo Piskor is the instructor. Contact: Lynn Arnesen.
- **"Time to Review Your Will or Trust"—October 23** @ 9AM @ the Village Grille. Contact Joan Zittlow.
- **Cooking Class @ Season to Taste—November 7** @ 6PM. \$25. Theme: Gifts from the Kitchen. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- **Mosaic Glass Art Class (2 sessions)—November 14 and 15** @ 5PM. \$50. Includes project, light supper and drinks. Contact: Lynn Arnesen. This is filling fast. Limit 14 participants each night.
- **Mulva Center—November 20** @ 1PM. The Beatles Exhibit. Cost TBD. Contact: Ann Hare.
- **AVB Concert—December 18** @ 7PM. The Weidner Center. Cost: Free-will offering. Contact: Ann Hare.

Stay tuned! January—June 2024 Events:

- **Bingo**--**January 19**. Oneida Bingo Hall. 10AM \$19. Contact: Lynn Arnesen.
- **Movie**--at De Pere Cinema on **January 22** @ 5PM Possible fundraiser. Contact: Ann Hare.
- **Mosaic Art Glass Class**-- **March 13** @ 12 noon \$50. Contact: Lynn Arnesen.
- **Help with Planning a Funeral**-- **April 9** @ 9:00 AM @ the Village Grille. Contact: Joan Zittlow.
- **Bingo**-- **April 19** at 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:

- **NEW!! BCCWC Bunco** will be led by Carey Lheureux. The plan is to play the dice game and have lunch at the Village Grille on the 2nd Thursday of the month from 11AM—1:30PM beginning in September through June. If there's enough interest, a second group could be started. A minimum of 16 members is needed for each group.
- **Wednesday Mah Jongg** will continue to be held at the **Ashwaubenon Community Center on Anderson Drive**. Games are played between 1PM and 3:30PM in the lobby area of the building. Betty Jensen (770-6642) is the contact for this. Get on her text list if you are interested.
- The **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem, has set its course for 2023-24. See below for the wonderful offerings as determined by the members.

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

Joan Zittlow (857-7749) joanzittlow@gmail.com,

Mary Jo Piskor (217-4343) savoie731@aol.com, Fellowship Co-Directors

BOOK CLUB



Please join us on **Tuesday, September 5**, from **1-2:30PM**, by gathering at the Kress Library in De Pere to share a favorite book that you read over the summer, maybe through another book club or due to a recommendation from a friend. This has become a fun tradition and you might just find a new favorite author or character! New members are always welcome and with no pre-reading to do, it will be super easy to join us this month.

Here is the schedule for the rest of 2023, so mark your calendars.

September 5, 2023 We share books from our summer reading – note this is a Tuesday meeting

October 2, 2023 *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese

November 6, 2023 *The Thursday Murder Club* by Richard Osman

December 4, 2023 *The Lost Jewels* by Kirsty Manning

Are you willing to lead a book talk? Facilitators are still needed for the February and March book discussions.

The website will also have the dates for next year which are normally the first Mondays of each month at 1-2:30PM in the Kress Family Branch Library in De Pere. The exceptions are September and January due to the holidays. There will be our normal holiday luncheon before the December meeting.

Want to be on the “official” BCCWC book club email list? Contact Meg Deem.

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

COMMUNICATIONS



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Did you know our SUNSHINE/BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE is here to offer cheer and condolences to our members? If you know of a member who is having surgery, not feeling well or needs a cheery note, please contact Kathy Eisenschink. Also, in the event of a death of a BCCWC member or a family member, condolences will be sent to them.

Marge Zdziarski will be sending the get well and sympathy cards. Bonnie Zima will be handling the food donation to the family of the deceased member. Bonnie will also contact the Brown County Library to select a book donation in honor of the deceased.

Please text or email Kathy Eisenschink with any requests.

Kathy Eisenschink (737-7911) kathleeneisenschink@gmail.com

1st Vice President, Sunshine Committee Chair

DIRECTORIES

Directories have been distributed at club events since mid-August. They will also be available at the September luncheon and October general meeting for anyone who hasn't received hers yet. Those not picked up by the October general meeting will be mailed.

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Margaret Georgia, Co-Editors

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