



2023

A MESSAGE FROM BCCWC PRESIDENT

BCCWC Mission Statement:

The Brown County Community Women's Club, Inc. is dedicated to providing charitable, educational and cultural services to the community, as well as providing social and personal growth to its members. It is a non-political and non-sectarian group.

In reviewing the October calendar, BCCWC is clearly fulfilling its mission on all levels. For example, the monthly meeting will provide an educational opportunity for the membership as we get a refresher course on how to use a defibrillator. Joe Kobielak will once again lead us in this important session. It is hoped that after our annual refresher lesson, members will have a greater comfort level in responding if the need arises. The Club has been a strong supporter of placing AED devices in area schools for several years and we now have

a unit that can be taken to public venues which do not have one. Therefore, you are asked to let your committee chair or director know of any public venue that hosts BCCWC events and is without an AED so that it can be arranged for someone to take the Club's device. Sue Protzman is the keeper of the device and will work with members to make it available. While it's easy to think "it won't happen to me", we all know that it can. It's better to be prepared and not need it than need it and not

I hope to see you at the De Pere Community Center where we can learn about using an AED, sign up to continue the good works that our membership does so generously and consider some fellowship activities as we continue to fulfill our mission.



Sue Sinclair, President

Membership

have it.

MEMBERSHIP

BCCWC membership stands at 269.

Those interested in joining or renewing will find a form on our 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.

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MEETINGS REMINDER

Our 2023-24 September Kick-Off Luncheon was a wonderful time to get together with old and new friends. A total of 163 ladies (158 members and 5 guests) attended this event. Our entertainment was singer/guitarist Bernie Rocheleau with Garrett Wons on saxophone.

Our next meeting will be October 18, at the De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant Street, De Pere.

Social – 12 Noon

Program – 1PM

Meeting – 1:45PM

This month there will be a refresher demonstration on how to use the club's defibrillator.

Check the November newsletter for the registration form for the December 20 holiday luncheon at Tundra Lodge.



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DIRECTORIES



If you haven't picked up your 2023-24 BCCWC directory yet, you may do so at the October 18 general meeting, or you could ask a friend to pick it up for you. Any directories remaining at the end of the meeting will be mailed. It would be nice if that postage could go toward Community Awards instead.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAT

Fall fun with friends is finally here and the community service chairs have a wide array of projects which will allow you to meet other members while serving our community.

- October 2 Join the quilters to learn more about Quilting for Habitat. This
 meeting offers a special opportunity to speak with our quilter from the NWTC Artisan Center and learn
 more details about the Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity from two of its directors.
- October 18 Collections will be held for One Stitch at a Time (blankets), Lovable Misfits (misfit characters and mini-quilts), Cheery Notes (completed greeting cards) and for Living Hope Church Food Pantry (non-perishable food items).
- October 18 Last chance to sign up for the November Fort Howard Senior Luncheon and to select a name from the Christmas Families Giving Tree.

Please check the newsletter articles submitted by the community service chairs to see if any of these activities call to you.

Sherry Campbell, Mary Jo Rod, Teresa Schroepfer Community Service Co-Directors



FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEONS

Fort Howard Apartments Seniors Luncheon: A Great Opportunity for new Members!

We need you! Are you interested in meeting some of the sweetest seniors? (This includes our BCCWC members too! Get to know other members through service.)

There are three community service projects through which BCCWC reaches out to seniors: A Smile Bouquet, Cheery Notes and the luncheons at Fort Howard Apartments.

On November 9, from 10:30AM to 1PM, BCCWC members will provide a tasty luncheon and engage in conversation with seniors at Fort Howard Apartments. The chairs need volunteers to provide food and paper products for the meal. Currently, there is a need for 2 casseroles, a pasta salad, a sugar -free jello salad, a veggie salad and dessert bars. Members can choose to drop off their food donations or stay to help serve and eat lunch with the residents and other BCCWC members. The meal is served at 12 noon. Cleanup generally begins at 12:30 and the event is typically finished by 1:15PM. Members can sign up at the next meeting or by contacting one of the chairs. Looking forward to seeing your faces at this community service project.

Barb Berg (655-8580) <u>baberg73@hotmail.com</u>, Sherry Campbell (680-0778) <u>sherrysuej@new.rr.com</u>, Co-Chairs

ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES: HOMELESS SHELTER MEALS



BCCWC members are providing the first dinner of the season on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2023, at both shelters, the Men's Shelter on St. John's Street and the Women's Shelter at 700 East Walnut Street. Although many members have already signed up to provide food that night, there is still a need for food at both shelters for that meal. The sign-up sheets for various food items that are still needed will be available at the next meeting on October 18. The shelters so appreciate the generosity of all that BCCWC provides. Please contact either of the chairs if there are questions.

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

The first collection for the guests at Wellspring will be November 15 for cold weather items. Please avoid any knitted items.

For those of you who like to shop early, the following items have been requested: winter jackets, long underwear tops and bottoms (SM-2XL), gloves, hats, long socks and boots (6-11), chap stick, hand warmers, twin size blankets, hoodies and sweatshirts (SM-3X).

More details regarding the collection will be in the November newsletter.

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

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS



In September, 3 birthday cards were delivered to residents of McCormick Home, along with 60 fall craft items. The craft projects were created by Jaxson, a young relative of Jean Allgeyer, and they are sure to be a hit!

Completed cards will continue to be collected at the next BCCWC meeting on October 18. At that meeting, "six packs" will be distributed along with Christmas cards. The more completed cards that are collected, the more cheer BCCWC will spread to area nursing home residents!

Questions? Please contact one of the co-chairs.

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Jeanette Krysiak (655-6928) jeanettekrysiak@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs

ONE STITCH AT A TIME



Hopefully, BCCWC members have been busy crocheting, knitting or tying blankets for the fall collection, which will take place October 18 from 10:45AM until 12 noon at the De Pere Community Center. This collection takes place twice per year, with this usually the bigger collection. The recipients at House of Hope and Wellspring are most grateful. Twin sizes are preferable.

If it is easier to drop them off at a Co-Chair's house rather than at the De Pere Community Center, contact one of the chairs.

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CHRISTMAS FAMILIES



At the October 18 membership meeting, ornaments will be on the Christmas tree for members to choose a gift to give to children in the Brown Countyr community. It will have the first name, age, gender and a suggested item to purchase. Each child receives 3 "wants" and 3 "needs". At the November 15 meeting, members should return the wrapped present with the ornament attached. If you are unable to attend the November meeting, please

contact one of the chairpersons below to arrange pickup. Thank you again for such wonderful support to the children of our community!

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Judy Niesing (217-3907) jirnies96@aol.com,

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

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



A collection will be made at the October 18 meeting for the Living Hope Church food pantry. Look for vehicles in the parking lot with trunks up starting at 10:30AM until 12noon. Most needed items are those containing protein: soup with meat, tuna or chicken. Also needed are pasta and sauce, canned fruit and hair products. Thank you for your donations!

Linda Shores (241-9895) <u>lindashores1@gmail.com</u>, Nancy Cohen (222-6747) <u>mncohen4@gmail.com</u>, Co-Chairs October, 2023, p. 4

RIBBON OF HOPE

Anyone interested in creating a holiday wreath for Ribbon of Hope, please contact Pat Russo. The first organizational meeting will be soon. Pat will contact you when the meeting time is set.



Pat Russo (655-3990), Chair

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

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

Soak up some enthusiasm and expand your creativity as you visit with other quilters! Hear staff members from Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity, Brenda Schwechler, Family Services Director, and Laura Seroogy,

Director of Philanthropy, answer questions you may have about Greater Green Bay Habitat for Humanity. Lynn

Konitzer, our volunteer machine quilter from Northeast WI Artisans & Business Center, is also joining us.

Need inspiration? These and other quilts will be displayed at the October 2 meeting.



If you enjoy sewing and would like to create lap-sized quilts for Habitat for Humanity, come to the meeting on Monday, October 2.

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



The Child Life staff graciously accepts the generous BCCWC donations collected at the fall luncheon.

Thank you! Thank you! Grateful for the generous outpouring at the September luncheon for the 'Child Life Collection' of baby rattles, Crayola markers, stuffed animals, and band aids. The Child Life staff were so appreciative, and very thankful to have their needs replenished. As they said, "We can always depend on the ladies of BCCWC!" Many thanks to everyone who signed up to help assemble the 'Halloween bags' in October. The sign-up sheet is full for assembling Halloween bags, but please stop at the 'Child Life' table at the October meeting if you're interested in signing up to decorate the little Christmas trees in December.

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

HOUSE OF HOPE



September's birthday celebration of cupcakes and ice cream was enjoyed by the 21 adults and 14 children at the shelter this month. A big thank you, again, to our generous volunteer who made this happen! It is always a special event for the "birthday" kids: a young boy and a young girl. House of Hope remains grateful for all that we do for their homeless moms and children as they find a renewed sense of hope and a path to a better future. If you are interested in participating in this activity, supplying cake and ice cream once a year, please contact the chairpersons.

Kay Barlament (660-7368) kay.barlament@gmail.com, MaryAnne Froelich (639-4847) maryannefroelich@gmail.com, Co-Chairs

KRESS LIBRARY





Fall beautification outside the Kress Library in De Pere. Photos submitted by Terri Lewis

LOVABLE MISFITS



Thank you all for signing up to make LOVABLE MISFITS and / or QUILTED BLANKETS last week at the BCCWC kick-off luncheon! Mary Anne Froelich will be in the parking lot at the De Pere Community Center directly before the October 18 meeting to collect any blankets or misfits that are completed. This will be an ongoing project so if the misfits and/or blankets aren't ready to drop off in October, there will be another oppotunity in November and again in the spring.

Please make as many as you'd like. They will all be donated to public safety departments throughout the county. As of now, Mary Anne has contacts with the Green Bay Police

Department and is in the process of contacting Denmark, Wrightstown, De Pere, Pulaski, Ashwaubenon and the Brown County Sheriff's Department. These lovable items will be given to children that are in situations involving law enforcement as a way of soothing them during a traumatic time.

Questions? Contact Mary Anne.

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

FUNDRAISING

Fundraising Report for 2022-23			
Birdhouses	\$705	Jewelry Hangers	60
Book Exchange	154	Happy Hookers hand-made items	161
Brat Fry's	1,600	Mah Jongg cards (total not in yet)	
Breadsmith donations	248	Monthly 50/50 raffles	815
Bridge Lessons (by Ron Niesing)	775	Packer House Party	6,025
Bridge Marathons	5,271	Quilt Raffle	165
Card & Game Day Spring	10,200	Special/Surprise Raffles	373
Card & Game Day Fall	9,200	Table Top Accessory Sale	602
Candy Bars	250	Tote Bags	4
Golf Outing	6,100		
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Fundraising in September, 2023		
Birdhouses (created and donated by Bonnie Gould)	\$450	
Sept 50/50 raffle (winner Bonnie Gould)	179	
Happy Hookers hand-made items	5	
Surprise Raffle (cheesecake donated by Patrick Gaulke)	123	
(winner Susan Byrne)		
TOTAL	\$757	



Watch for the Surprise Raffle at the October general meeting. You may win a Diamond Dot fall picture. Help support charities and our own club artists. Tickets are 3 for \$2. You can't win if you don't enter the raffle.

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PACKER HOUSE PARTY FUNDRAISER



A big THANK YOU to all who participated in the Packer House Party Fundraiser!! It was a huge success again this year. The only downside of the day was a Packer loss to Atlanta, but Green Bay is being patient with the young team and hoping for more wins than losses down the road. The super weather, great food and drink and exceptional desserts overcame the disappointment with the final score! This is the 4th time BCCWC was awarded an opportunity to use the Endries Home overlooking the Lambeau Field Atrium for a fundraising event for which we are truly grateful. Needless to say, a good time was had by all!

Judy Benkowski and Helene Rosner, Co-Chairs

CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER



Anticipation is in the air for the October 25 Card & Game Day Fundraiser at Riverside Ballroom. Open to both members and non-members, the event is filling up quickly. There is still room available, however.

Registrations are due by October 11. The form is available on the website under the fundraising tab. You can also access it here:

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

There will be an array of gorgeous raffle baskets, a money tree, the "Sip and Surprise" and, of course, the 50/50 raffle. In addition, there will be a \$5 grab bag event.

- · 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.
- Who will be there? Hopefully you and all of your friends! Open to members and non-members

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 October general meeting. Donated baked goods help to raise lots of money to give back to charitable causes. Look for Jacquie Murphy and Pam Girtz at the meeting. They will explain how to package and deliver your donations.



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BOOK EXCHANGE



We hope you have been saving all those interesting, fun and exciting books you have been reading all spring and summer. The October 18 BCCWC meeting is the time to share them. We can't wait to see the variety and volume of books for the rest of us to exchange and enjoy!

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

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"

The first Dinner Dames outing was at Little Tokyo in Green Bay. 20 members met and enjoyed using chopsticks and tried new tastes and textures.









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

Date (Last Thursday of Month)	Restaurant	Contact(s)	
October 26 (reservations due by Oct. 22)	Ten O One Club	Lynn Arnesen	
November 30 (reservations due by Nov. 26)	The Union Hotel	Moni Spaude	
January 25 (reservations due by Jan. 21)	Sammy's Pizza	Patty Payette	
February 29 (reservations due by Feb. 25)	Prime Quarter	Kathy Eisenschink	
March 28 (reservations due by Mar. 24)	Stella's	Darlene Rohm	
April 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; 11:30 AM

We still need a restaurant contact for March or it will be canceled. Contact Beth Propp. Sign-up sheets will be at the meetings.

Date (First Thursday of Month)	Restaurant/Location	Contact		
Oct. 5	Plank Road Plate & Pour (Canceled!)	CANCELED		
November 2 (reservations due by Oct. 30)	Los Banditos	Meg Deem		
December 7 (reservations due by Dec. 4)	Grapevine Café*	Kathy Aicher		
January 4 (reservations due by Dec. 29)	Parker John's BBQ	Sue Sinclair		
February 1 (reservations due by Jan. 29)	Mandarin Gardens	Barb LaFrombois		
March 7 (reservations due by Mar. 4)	Chive's			
April 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		
August 1 (reservations due by July 29)	The Drift Inn	Elaine Gerhold		
*Change of venue due to St. Brendan's not being open for lunch				

Bingo!

Join us for any of the sessions and maybe you'll be a lucky winner! Five members have signed up so far.

- 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 check out the Lamers website@ golamers.com for details.
- Cost is \$73 per person.

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

- Cookie Decorating Class—October 2 @ 9AM (\$20, this is a fundraiser). THIS CLASS IS FULL. ANOTHER WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY.
- "Time to Review Your Will or Trust"—October 23 @ 9AM @ The Village Grille. There's still room! Contact Joan Zittlow.
- Cooking Class at Season to Taste—November 7 @ 6PM. \$25. Theme: Gifts from the Kitchen. Contact Lynn Arnesen. There's still room!
- Mosaic Glass Art Class (2 sessions)—November 14 & 15 @ 5PM. \$50. Includes glass project, light supper and drinks. Contact Lynn Arnesen. Limit 14 participants each night.
 3 openings for the 14th & 11 for the 15th
- Mulva Center—Beatles Exhibit. Cost TBD. Contact Ann Hare. POSTPONED due to delayed opening.
- AVB Concert—December 18 @ 7PM. The Weidner Center. Cost: Freewill offering Contact: Ann Hare.

Stay tuned! January—June 2024 Events:

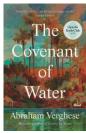
- Bingo at Oneida Bingo Hall. January 19 @ 10AM. \$19. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Movie at De Pere Cinema. January 22 @ 5PM. Possible fundraiser. Contact Ann Hare.
- Mosaic Art Glass Class. March 13 @ 12 noon. \$50. Contact Lynn Arnesen.
- Help with Planning a Funeral. April 9 @ 9AM at the Village Grille. Contact Joan Zittlow.
- Bingo at Oneida Bingo Hall. April 19 @ 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 in doing this.
- The **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem, has set its course for 2023-24. See below for member-picked selections.

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BOOK CLUB



Please join us on Monday, October 2, from 1-2:30PM, by gathering at the Kress Family Branch Library in the lower-level meeting room to discuss *The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese. A shimmering evocation of a bygone India and of the passage of time itself, *The Covenant of Water* is a hymn to progress in medicine and to human understanding and a humbling testament to the difficulties undergone by past generations for the sake of those alive today.

Spanning the years 1900 to 1977, *The Covenant of Water* is set in Kerala, on South India's Malabar Coast, and follows three generations of a family that suffers a peculiar affliction: in every generation, at least one person dies by drowning—and in Kerala, water is everywhere. At the turn of the century, a twelve-year-old girl from Kerala's long-existing Christian community, grieving the death of her father, is sent by boat to her wedding, where she will meet her forty-year-old husband for the first time. From this unforgettable new beginning, the young girl—and future matriarch, known as Big Ammachi—will witness unthinkable changes over the span of her extraordinary life, full of joy and triumph as well as hardship and loss, her faith and love the only constants. Here is the list of dates, books and authors for the remainder of this year:

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

December 4, 2023 The Lost Jewels by Kirsty Manning
**January 8, 2024 The Wright Sister by Patty Dann

Members may bring friends, neighbors or family members. You may attend regularly or whenever time permits. Looking forward to sharing books and ideas with everyone again! If you have any questions, contact Meg Deem, Chair.

*The November meeting will be at the downtown Central Library in the board room on second floor.

**The January meeting is scheduled for the 2nd Monday due to the New Year's holiday.

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

FALL PLANTING CLASS



Join other BCCWC members on October 4, 1:30PM, at Mayflower Greenhouse, 726 Airport Road, for an opportunity to create a fall planter! No fee for the class other than the cost of whatever you purchase there. Bring your own planter or buy one there.

Contact Nancy Daniels (471-6689) <u>danielsna@aol.com</u> to let her know if you're coming so Mayflower can plan for space.

COMMUNICATIONS

HISTORIAN POSITION

Are you looking for a way to contribute to the club? We are searching for one or two volunteers to serve as our BCCWC Historian(s). If you like to scrapbook or have any experience doing the Shutterfly Books online, this might be a position you would enjoy! If you like to organize photos and can write a few captions to highlight our events and activities, please contact Carol De Grand: cjdegrand@gmail.com or text /call her at (920) 680-5470.



Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

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