



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

April 2024



A MESSAGE FROM BCCWC PRESIDENT

Being a BCCWC member has its perks! Our club has a wonderful blend of service and social opportunities for its members. As the year winds down, April still has 5 social activities including bingo, book club, Ladies Lunch Bunch, Dinner Dames and an educational offering on funeral planning plus 2 service activities, Shelter Meals and Fort Howard Apartments luncheon and bingo. Details follow in the newsletter.

Plus, it's Card & Game Day month again! Please gather a friend or 2 and join in the fun **April 24** at Riverside Ballroom to help raise funds for the community awards that will be selected in June. Sue Protzman and her committee have a day of fun and surprises planned. You can find the registration form on the BCCWC website under fundraising. I hope to see you there.



Sue Sinclair, President



MEMBERSHIP

BCCWC current membership is 265. Please welcome our 6 new members:
Janeen Stolz, Mona Nuthals, Suzie Laughlin, Rita Wurzer, Eileen Schenian, Jean Makreff.

BCCWC has had 89 members renew and 10 new members since January 1, 2024.

It is now time to renew your membership for 2024-25. The form can be found on the BCCWC website.

<https://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769588930/2024-25+Membership+Application+%285%29.pdf>

If any of your information has changed, please highlight that information on your form. Send the form – 1 member per form – along with your check to:

Dianne Froelich, 3466 Peppergrass Dr., Green Bay, WI 54311

Please get your membership dues and registration in prior to the deadline of **June 1** to ensure that your name appears in the BCCWC directory. If you cannot print a form, send your check and a written note with your information. Thank you.

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

MEETINGS REMINDER

One guest and 71 members attended the March general meeting at the De Pere Community Center. Our presentation was a refresher on how to use a defibrillator and a short CPR course presented by Joe Kobiela and Sue Protzman.

Our next meeting will be **April 17**, De Pere Community Center, 600 Grant St. in De Pere.

Social - 12Noon Program - 1PM Meeting - 1:45PM

Program Guests:

Deputy Adam Waeghe and Harley from the Brown County Sheriff's Department K9 Unit.



Harley



The registration form for our **May 15 Spring Luncheon** at Green Bay Distillery is now available:
<https://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769615171/May+Luncheon+reservation.pdf>

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BCCWC COMMUNITY AWARDS 2023-24 WHERE DOES OUR MONEY GO?

Last year BCCWC added Foster the Village to the organizations we support financially. Foster the Village is a non-profit organization that provides aid to the Brown County, WI foster care community. They supply free clothing, shoes, diapers, and other care items to children who arrive in foster care without adequate supplies after being removed from parental custody due to abuse or neglect.

Betsy Whitton, President Elect

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community Service Chat - Spring

The directors are beginning to organize activities for the 2024-2025 directory. This past year has been successful thanks to enthusiastic leaders and members. Members have brought joy to others, warmed their hearts, and have been extremely generous in all respects. If you have served as a community service chair, thank you for your generous donation of time and talents. *If you co-chair an activity and would like to step down from that position, please notify one of the community service directors.*

Coming this spring are still many activities in which members may participate:

- Meals for St. John’s Homeless and Wellspring - **April 4**
- Fort Howard Apartment Senior Lunch and Bingo - **April 11**
- Grace Lutheran Food Pantry Donations - **April 17**
- Cheery Notes - **April 17**
- Lovable Misfits “How-to” Workshop - **April 18**
- Gardens at Kress Library - **May 8**
- QFH (Quilters) - **May 20**
- A Smile Bouquet: TBA

Please contact our Smile Bouquet co-chairs to donate flowers from your own garden for that project.

Thank you to all of you who participated in our collections this past fall and winter.

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 Teresa Schroeffer (471-9442) taschroep@new.rr.com, Co-Directors



ST. JOHN’S MINISTRIES - HOMELESS SHELTERS MEALS

On **Thursday, April 4** we serve our last meals of this season at the Men’s Shelter on St. John St. and at the Women’s Shelter at 700 E. Walnut St. Because of the continuous and generous support of our BCCWC members, we have enough food and servers for both shelters. Please drop off your prepared food between **5-5:30PM**. Contact Mary Kay or Jan if you have any questions.

As co-chairs, we extend enormous thanks to all of you for your selfless, continued help every month so that we can provide food and support for those who find themselves without homes. *The number of people we serve has more than quadrupled since we started this community service, including now serving 2 shelters.* You have met this challenge through your dedication, special effort, and generosity. Each month it takes 40-50 women to provide this meal. We are humbled and grateful for all you do. Thank you.

Mary Kay Paulson (301-221-6327) mkpaulson@aol.com,
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ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES – WELLSPRING

A sincere THANK YOU to all who contributed to the March collection for the ladies at WELLSRING! Generous members donated 25 bags of much needed spring and summer items including rain ponchos, umbrellas, shorts, tank tops, footwear, sunscreen, Chapstick, as well as monetary donations. The Wellspring staff and guests are very grateful. Your contributions and continued support of the Wellspring guests have made a difference in their lives.

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



Wellspring Delivery

BUILDING QUILTS FOR HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Co-chair, Gina Reinardy, keeps our well-oiled machine moving by first taking the unfinished quilts to the machine quilter, returning them to the quilters for binding and labeling, and finally taking them to the Habitat for Humanity office to await new homeowner dedications.



Brenda, Habitat for Humanity staff member, and Gina proudly display the quilts made by BCCWC quilters.

UPCOMING DEDICATION OF NEW HABITAT HOME:

Tuesday, April 2, 4:15-5:15PM

437 E. Mission Rd., Green Bay WI

All are invited to attend this heartwarming ceremony.

See the tears, appreciation and generosity of the new homeowner family, the volunteers, and the Habitat for Humanity staff who built the 134th home in the Greater Green Bay area.

Share your creativity and sewing skills with Habitat for Humanity and join our group in making lap-sized quilts.

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

CHEERY NOTES TO SENIORS



During the month of March, Caretta Senior Living residents in Bellevue received 60 Cheery Notes and 3 birthday cards, courtesy of BCCWC members. The cards were a combination of St. Patrick's Day greetings and general good cheer. Thank you, BCCWC members, for your continuing support. Completed cards will be collected at the **April 17** membership meeting. Use your own cards or pick up blank cards from one of the chairs. 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

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION



Grace Lutheran Church will be the recipient of the **April 17** Food Drive. It is located at 321 S. Madison St. in Green Bay. Twenty years ago, 20 bags of groceries were distributed. *Now, almost 100 people stop by Grace Lutheran for help every week.*

Items needed most:

Canned goods including soups, fruits, vegetables, pasta sauces; dry goods such as cereals, pastas, rice, mashed potatoes and muffin mixes. All fruit juice and most anything else would be appreciated.

Look for the parked vehicles with open trunks at the meeting from **10:30-12Noon**. Thank you for donating.

Karen Genrich (366-6215) karengenrich1@gmail.com,

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ONE STITCH AT A TIME



It's time to think Spring 🌷. Please keep our Spring Blanket Collection in mind. Blankets of all colors and sizes will be collected at the **May 15 Spring Luncheon** at the Green Bay Distillery in the parking lot from **10:45AM-12Noon**. *If you are not able to attend the meeting and need your donation picked up, just call Pat or Jean.* Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated.

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

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

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

Twenty-one baskets filled with Easter fun for infants, pre-school, school-age, and boy/girl teens were delivered to the Child Life Department. The Easter baskets were distributed to hospitalized children/teens during the Easter Season to bring some normalcy to the children and their families during a challenging and difficult time.



Sincere thanks to all who continue to bring stuffed animals and colorful latex-free character band aids for the children. There is a great, and ongoing, need for both items. Each child/teen receives a stuffed animal, blanket, and a book on their bed upon admittance to the hospital. The children get to choose a colorful character band aid prior to a procedure to help divert their focus to something a little more fun.

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

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HOUSE OF HOPE



On Wednesday, March 20, we celebrated the arrival of Spring and 3 birthdays at House of Hope. (Just in time because snowflakes were predicted for the next day!) A sincere thank you to our generous volunteer who donated the cake and ice cream for 22 residents. Everyone loves a treat once a month. Our act of kindness puts smiles on the faces of homeless women and children at the shelter. If you can help with this ongoing activity, please contact Kay or Mary Anne. Thank you.

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

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

FORT HOWARD SENIOR LUNCHEONS



Buffet and Bingo Donations Needed

There is still a need for a large lettuce salad, a Jello salad and a casserole to serve at the annual spring luncheon buffet and bingo for seniors being held **Thursday, April 11**, at Fort Howard Apartments, 141 N. Chestnut Ave., Green Bay. Volunteers will set up at 11AM and serve the buffet at 12Noon. They also assist seniors by handling plates, serving coffee and water. About 12:45PM, guests play bingo while volunteers clean up. The activity is generally finished by 1:30PM. Seniors at this facility have fixed incomes. We have a small supply of Bingo prizes, so additional prizes are very welcome.

Suggestions for Bingo Surprises:

- Gift Certificates (limit \$10) from:
McDonald's, Blackstone, Subway, Dollar General
- Coloring books, pencils, markers - Bathroom hand towels - Face cloths
- Dish soap - Stamps - Flashlights
- Coffee, Instant Cream - Tea - Cookies, packaged
- Assorted Cereals, small packages - Assorted bags of chips

Please refrain from donating lotions, shampoo, candles or novelty items (knickknacks).

Thank you for your continued, generous support. Questions? Contact:

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

Barb Berg (655-8590), Co-Chairs

LOVABLE MISFITS WORKSHOP WITH SENIORS

APRIL has arrived! Please come join us on **Thursday, APRIL 18**, from **1-3PM** at Fort Howard Apartments, 141 N. Chestnut Ave., Green Bay, to cut, design, create, or sew Lovable Misfits. If you would like to see what goes into creating a misfit, this is the event for you. You don't NEED to bring anything, only if you'd like.

Useful items to bring to the workshop:

- scissors or rotary cutter
- a cutting mat (if you have one)
- fleece or flannel from your stash or purchase ¼ yard of remnant (boy prints are especially needed)
- box of gallon zip bags
- bag of polyester stuffing
- your sewing machine, if possible
- your chipper selves 😊



The Fort Howard Apartments' residents have also been invited.

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

KRESS LIBRARY GARDEN



Calling all garden lovers! If you like getting your hands dirty and seeing the rewards of your efforts in flowers and foliage, the Kress Library Garden group is for you. We meet at the Kress Library in De Pere once a month for a couple of hours. We tend to the shrubs, roses, hydrangeas, butterfly garden and 6 beautiful planters at the upper and lower entrances and along the stairway between the two. We also each sign up for 1 or 2 weeks (of your choice) during the summer for watering duties. You can go anytime that's convenient for you because we now have our own key for the water! We are eager to add gardeners, like YOU, to our group. We usually get together for a quick breakfast after each workday, so it is a great way to meet new people who share your love of gardening!

Dates are Wednesday mornings at 8AM:

- Clean up day: **May 8**
- Planting pots: **May 29** (rain date May 30)
- Monthly maintenance dates (weeding, trimming, watering)
 - **June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18**
- Put garden to bed: **October 2** (rain date, October 3)

Please let Sue or Terri know if you are returning or joining us for the first time! We would LOVE to have you join us!

Sue Johnson (360-1730) smjohnson718@gmail.com,
Terri Lewis (660-9895) ptlfam@new.rr.com, Co-Chairs



A SMILE BOUQUET

VASES!! We need vases! The Smile Bouquet team is going to put together small bouquets for individuals in nursing homes 3 times this year and are running low on vases. Please bring any small or medium size vases to the **April 17** meeting. Collection will take place outside. These vases need to be small enough to fit on a nightstand so 'No Large Vases'. The nursing homes prefer small vases.

We will be meeting **May 14** at 1PM (Tuesday after Mother's Day) to put together the bouquets. The location will be in the May newsletter.

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FUNDRAISING



Jacque Murphy's neighbor, who wanted to support our club, crafted and donated this beautiful spring wreath. It will be raffled at the **April 17** general meeting at the De Pere Community Center. Raffle tickets will be 3/\$2.

Candy Bars will be available at 2/\$3 (donation) and the 50/50 raffle is always a big hit – Susan Byrne was the March winner.

Don't miss Card & Game Day **April 24**. A fun day of games and socializing!

This queen-size quilt features colors and design that makes it perfect for both men and women. This beautiful hand-sewn set was donated to BCCWC and will be raffled at the **May 15** luncheon. Raffle tickets will be 6/\$5. Maybe you will be the winner of this gorgeous quilt and coordinating shams.



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Fundraising Co-Directors

BOOK EXCHANGE



Books, Puzzles, Puzzles, Books.

The members love them all. February and March were our most successful exchanges ever. Search those bookshelves, closets and nightstands and bring them to the **April 17** meeting. This is our last book/puzzle exchange until October 2024. *Let's make April our best exchange ever.*

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



SPRING CARD & GAME DAY FUNDRAISER

The end of this month will bring "Spring is in the Air", the BCCWC annual Spring Card & Game Day Fundraiser. It is a festive day for you and your friends to enjoy all the games that you want to play. This is one of the BCCWC's biggest fundraisers, so be sure to plan on participating in the various raffle opportunities. As always, there will be beautiful raffle baskets. The "Sip and Surprise" bags will each contain a bottle of quality wine and various gift certificates ranging from \$10+. (Some lucky person is going to win a gift certificate for a night's stay at St Brendan's!) Last fall the 50/50 raffle paid out close to \$500; maybe this year you will be the winner! Wisconsin weather may be unpredictable outside, but it will be a beautiful day inside!!

- When: **April 24, 10AM-4PM**
- Where? Riverside Ballroom
- 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.

https://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769576436/Spring+Cd++Gm+Flyer_2024.pdf

The **Yum-Yum Shoppe** needs members to donate baked goods. There will be a sign-up sheet at the **April 17** general meeting. *Look for Jacquie Murphy and Pam Girtz at the meeting.* They will explain how to package your goods.

*The Card & Game Day Fundraiser is open to members and non-members alike and we need you to help spread the word. The deadline is **April 10** so be sure to get your registration form in now. The event is filling up fast and you won't want to miss out on this wonderful day.*

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BRIDGE MARATHONS

We will be celebrating our 2023-24 Bridge Marathon Season at our Annual Banquet on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024**, at St. Brendan's Inn. This will be our first banquet at this facility and they are truly looking forward to treating us to a wonderful meal. Please join us!

As always, we will play 24 hands of bridge and will be giving out some wonderful prizes for the day!! We will also announce and award all the cash prizes for winners in each of the marathon groups for the 2023-24 season. If your partner is unable to attend, you may invite a guest! The banquet reservation form can be found on the club website under Fundraising and Bridge Marathons. The deadline for payment is **April 27**.

If you have an interest in getting on any of the sub lists and/or to learn more about our marathon groups, please contact Carol Simpson.

Thanks to everyone for supporting this fun and important fundraiser for BCCWC. We are looking forward to seeing all our bridge players at the banquet to take part in this wonderful celebration!

Carol Simpson (983-9550) simpsoncj4310@gmail.com ,

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Judy Niesing (217-3907) Jirnies96@aol.com, Co-Chairs

BRAT FRY 2024

MAY 31 – JUNE 1 SAVE THE DATES!



Reservations are made for Friday and Saturday **May 31-June 1** at the Festival in De Pere! If you'd like to volunteer to work at the brat fry, please send Julie an email with your contact information and you will be on the list! If you previously volunteered – you are on the list!

Looking forward to a good time raising money for good causes!

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

Bonnie Zima (499-1873) bonzima48@yahoo.com, Co-Chairs



GOLF OUTING – June 10, Mid Vallee Golf Course

We want you to BEE at the Upcoming Golf Outing

Time to form your groups of golfers and gamers for the Golf Outing and mail your registrations to Meg Deem. It's helpful if groups mail forms in together. **Deadline for registration is May 13 - NO EXCEPTIONS.** Golfers will pre-pay their green and cart fees. The Taco Bar will be back by popular demand.

<https://www.bccwc.org/app/download/769618131/2024+golf+outing+registration+form.pdf>



Donations for raffle baskets are still needed. Experiences or edible delights are more interesting than more "stuff" at our age but all donations welcome. If you want to help, but are unable to attend the event, consider donating \$25 gift cards to your favorite store or restaurant which will be added to the Birdie Prize board. Please bring your donations to the **April 17** meeting.

Last year, over \$6K was raised at the Golf Outing. Hopefully this year will be as successful. Meg and Beth will not be planning the 2025 outing, but are willing to help, as are many other wonderful BCCWC women. A *chairperson is needed*. Someone needs to step up and take the lead. Please let Sue Protzman or Sue Sinclair know if you would consider chairing this event for 2025.

Beth Propp (737-1015) beth.propp@gmail.com,

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FELLOWSHIP

We hope you can join in on some fun this month! Please use the directory for contact information.

Coming Up in April

Sign-up sheets are available at the monthly meetings or email/text contact people.

- **Help Planning a Funeral:** **April 9**, Village Grille, 9AM. Dan Malcore, presenter. Discussion: funeral planning in general including cremation, cost of renting a casket and other decisions. There will be a Q & A session. Dan is an excellent presenter who is very low key and knowledgeable. Registration is at 13. There's plenty of room for you and a guest. Contact Joan Zittlow.
- **Bingo:** **April 19**, Oneida Bingo Hall, 10AM, \$20. Contact Lynn Arnesen. We had 3 winners at our tables in January! It lasts about 2 hours. Ten members have registered.
- **Cooking Class at Season to Taste:** **April 22**, 6PM, \$25. Theme: Sheet-Pan Dinners. There are 2 openings. Maximum of 15. Contact Lynn Arnesen. Checks payable to Season to Taste due to Lynn by April 15.
- **Movie Night** at the De Pere Cinema is **postponed** to sometime in April or May due to popular demand of **Ordinary Angels**, based on a true story starring Hilary Swank. Starts at 6:30PM. The movie, popcorn, 2 slices of pizza and a soda for \$8. Ann Hare, coordinator. **NO DATE SET YET.**

"Dinner Dames Supper Club"

Last Thursday of the month @ 5PM

Date (Last Thursday of Month)	Restaurant (# registered)	Contacts
April 25 (reservations due April 21)	St. Brendan's Inn (14)	C. DeGrand, K. Aicher
May 30 (reservations due May 26) *	The Drift Inn (15)	E. Gerhold, L. Aschenbrenner

* We will plan next year's calendar at this meeting (4PM planning session, 5PM order food)

"Lunch Bunch Ladies"

First Thursday of the Month @ 11:30AM

Date (First Thursday of Month)	Restaurant (# registered)	Contact
April 4 (reservations due April 1)	Greystone (3)	Jacquie Murphy
May 2 (reservations due April 29)	Bleu (12)	Mary Jo Piskor
June 6 (reservations due June 3)	Narrow Bridge (6)	Lynn Arnesen
August 1 (reservations due July 29)	The Drift Inn (7)	Elaine Gerhold

Our final event for this year!

- **Lunch & Learn at Zimbaldi's Brewery & Gallagher's Pizza** **May 31** @ 11AM. Contact Sue Sinclair. The owners are very excited to host us! We will tour the brewery, 1649 S. Webster, near Schroeder's (minimal walking) and learn how this business has flourished as a new craft beer brewery in the area. Sample flights (taste of 4 beers) available for \$8. Lunch can be ordered from Gallagher's Pizza, next door. Hopefully we can dine outside. Six members have registered.

Standing Activities:

- **BCCWC Bunco**, coordinated by Carey Lheureux. Interested in being a sub? Let Carey know. No experience necessary. Second Thursday of the month, 11AM at Village Grille, \$5 plus meal.
- **Mah Jongg**, played on Wednesdays. Linda Aschenbrenner, new contact person.
- **Book Club**, led by Meg Deem.

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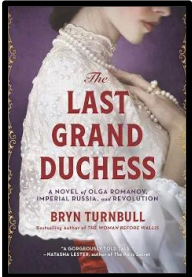
Joan Zittlow (857-7749) joanzittlow@gmail.com,

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

BOOK CLUB

With April showers anticipated, thoughts turn to a cozy chair and a great book. We are not “fooling” about having our book discussion on **Monday, April 1** at 1PM at the **Weyers-Hilliard Library in Howard**. Our book this month is *The Last Grand Duchess* by Bryn Turnbull. This sweeping novel takes readers behind palace walls to see the end of Imperial Russia through the eyes of Olga Nikolaevna Romanov, the first daughter of the last tsar.

Book Summary:



Grand Duchess Olga Romanov comes of age amid a shifting tide for the great dynasties of Europe. But even as unrest simmers in the capital, Olga is content to live within the confines of the sheltered life her parents have built for her and her 3 sisters: hiding from the world on account of their mother’s ill health, their brother Alexei’s secret affliction and rising controversy over Father Grigori Rasputin, the priest on whom the tsarina has come to rely. Olga’s only escape from the seclusion of Alexander Palace comes from the grand tea parties her aunt hosts amid the shadow court of Saint Petersburg—a world of opulent ballrooms, scandalous flirtation, and whispered conversation.

But as war approaches, the palaces of Russia are transformed. Olga and her sisters trade their gowns for nursing habits, assisting in surgeries and tending to the wounded bodies and minds of Russia’s military officers. As troubling rumors about her parents trickle in from the front, Olga dares to hope that a budding romance might survive whatever the future may hold. But when tensions run high and supplies run low, the controversy over Rasputin grows into fiery protest, and calls for revolution threaten to end 300 years of Romanov rule.

At turns glittering and harrowing, *The Last Grand Duchess* is a story about dynasty, duty and love, but above all, it’s the story of a family who would choose devotion to each other over everything—including their lives.

As spring blooms, we will read *Crescent* by Diane Abu-Jaber for **May 6**. Before we break for summer, we focus on *The Beauty of Dusk* by Frank Bruni on **June 3**. Mark your calendar, join us for lively conversation and put a little sunshine in your week. April is the month that we vote on books for the next year. If you want to be on the email list to choose the future reads, contact Meg to have your name added to the roster. We would love to have your input.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

BCCWC CHOIR



Calling all BCCWC singers!

Next December, the weather outside might be frightful but a choir would be so delightful. The possibility of forming a BCCWC choir to sing at our **December 2024** luncheon is being explored. Planning and coordination needs to take place over the summer. Therefore, there will be a sign-up sheet at the **April 17** general meeting and the **May 15** Spring Luncheon to see if there are enough ladies interested in making this choir a reality. Start warming up those vocal cords! Christmas is coming!



Teresa Schroeffer
Retired Ashwaubenon High School Choir Director

REPORT YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS

Just a reminder to keep track of any hours you have spent on BCCWC business, fundraising or community service projects during the year. Your volunteer hours help us maintain our 501c3 non-profit status.

Submit your total hours by **June 30, 2024** to:
Carol De Grand, 6109 Sunset Shores Rd., Luxemburg, WI 54217

Thank you for your time and contributions to the club.

Carol De Grand (680-5470) cidegrand@gmail.com, Past President

Yours in fellowship, fun and community good works,

Kathy Szymanski and Margaret Georgia, Co-Editors
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