

# Brecksville Women's Club Newsletter



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## President's Message – Mary Ann Baum

### **Hello Ladies,**

I guess the weather does not know it is winter and not spring. I was glad to see the members at our luncheon, I think everyone enjoyed the pictures, we could have had a little more participation, but all in all, it was a fun time with the musical bingo as well.

As everyone knows, it is time for our second fund raiser of the year. I know this sounds like a broken record, but we do need everyone's cooperation to make it a success. We need door prizes, inside raffle donations, and grand raffle donations. if you would kindly, get a letter from Elaine Connelly and request a donation from a business that you patronize I would appreciate it immensely. We would also like monetary donations from our members, or whomever. We go through the same process every year, so I am just reminding everyone, if we want a successful fundraiser, and continue to do all the wonderful things we do, we need everyone's help.

As far as the raffle tickets go, we are trying to get the prizes early, so we can get the tickets printed as soon as possible so we can start selling them. I am asking every member of the club to at least sell one book of tickets and not return them unsold. I do not understand, how you think that is helping us by returning them. Every member should want to sell them or buy them themselves to help your club. This is your club. Is it not?

When this club had 300 members, I am sure they had volunteers coming forward for everything. They did not have to beg for help with fundraisers and filling the slate. These ladies came forward and did what they had to do to make this club successful. Now I think our last count was 97 members. We are trying to do pretty much the same things with almost 200 less members, and that is pretty hard to do.

Linda Chlanda is trying very hard to fill the slate for 2018-2019. She asked if anyone was interested to please see her after the meeting. Well, no one stopped to see her. So what do you think that means?

I would like to thank Yetta for our entertainment at our January meeting. I think the ladies were having a lot of fun. In addition, thanks to Thelma Loffler for decorating the front table, it really makes a difference in kind of uplifting every one.

Lastly, I think we are going to really go through the by-laws and make some changes. We are going to have to adapt them to the size of our membership. I am sure these by-laws were made for 300 members and not the 97 we have now. We are adapting them now when we need to, and that is why we have incorporated some of the positions we have now to accommodate our membership. We just do not have the people to be splitting up some of these jobs. So please be patient until we figure this out.

### Second Vice President – Programs - Yetta Vaughan

Our Entertainment for February will be singer/entertainer Greg Piscura – great songs with great memories like Sweet Caroline, That's Life, Everybody Loves Somebody and much more.



### Third Vice President – Elaine Connelly

Thank you again for such a successful 2017 Fall Luncheon & Social fundraiser. We are on a roll!

Mark your calendars for our next fundraiser on Saturday, May 5, 2018. The BWC Spring Fashion Show will be held at the Woodside Event Center at St. Michael's. At the request of members, Dr. Connie Korosec from Ursuline College will present more "Decades of Fashion" from their clothing collection.

Doors will open at 10:30 am with hors d'oeuvres, punch, iced tea, hot tea, and coffee, with lunch at 12 noon, and fashion show at 1 pm. Menu is pending.

We will have the Grand Raffle tickets for distribution at the February General Meeting. It is expected that each member sell or purchase a packet of 6 tickets for \$5 to support this initiative.

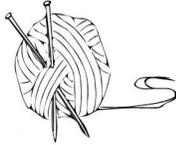
Please plan to attend, have a grand time, and help the Club raise money for our scholarship students and non-profit organizations.

Is modeling on your bucket list? Models are needed, size 12, so if you, or any of your family or friends would like to don these vintage fashions, have fun, and receive applause and recognition from the audience, please contact me.

Volunteers would be appreciated to help in the following areas: Vendor Tables, Door Prizes, Inside Raffle, and General Assistance. Again let me know you can participate in this manner.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

*Afghans Linda Adams*



We need your help to keep the Afghan Project going. We need people to crochet or knit 7x9-inch rectangles in any color or pattern. We also need donations of 4-ply, washable yarn in any color. Please, no wool. For more information contact Linda Adams (440) 736-7341.

*BBL - Ellie Brucken, Cathy Bolon*

No BBL in February. Plan to eat at Creekside on February 20. See the attached flier for details.

*Hospitality – Gretchen Mates and Mary Jane Opatrny*

Meeting: Tuesday, February 27, 2018

Lunch served PROMPTLY at 11:30 am



**MENU**

- Signature Salad, Bread Sticks
- Lasagna
- Broccoli
- Cherry Pie
- Coffee Hot Tea & Iced Tea

The cost of the luncheon is \$18.50. \*\*\*NOTE If you make a reservation, but find you cannot attend, you must call me three business days prior to the meeting, so I will be able to cancel your reservation and not charge you for the lunch. If you cancel after this date, you will be responsible for paying for your meal. If you have a dietary restriction, let me know when you make your reservation. Fish is always available as a substitute for the entrée. Reservations are due by **February 20**. Call Gretchen Mates 440-526-6481 to confirm your place.

*Membership - Cathie Barrie and Sandy Roth*

New members are always welcome. Please send dues payable to BWC for \$40, or give to Chairmen Cathie Barry (440-582-0404) or Sandy Roth (440-582-3730).

Membership booklets have been distributed to all members

## Meeting Fun – Thelma Loeffler

### **Baked Stuffed Carrots**

12 medium carrots, peeled

¼ cup mayonnaise

4 tsp grated onion

2 tsp prepared horseradish

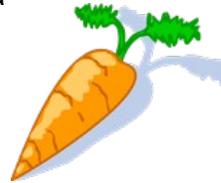
1/8 tsp ground nutmeg

Salt and pepper to taste

¼ cup dry bread crumbs

2T butter or margarine melted, divided

1/8 tsp paprika



Place carrots in a skillet; add 1 in. of water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 10-15 minutes or until crisp-tender. Drain. Cut a thin length-wise slice out of each carrot. Scoop out carrot, leaving ¼ inch shell. Set shell aside. Process the removed carrot in a food processor or blender until finely chopped. Transfer to a bowl; add mayonnaise, onion, horseradish, nutmeg, salt and pepper. Spoon into carrot shells. Place in greased 13 in. x 9 in. x 2 in. baking dish. Combine crumbs, 1 tablespoon butter, and paprika. Sprinkle over carrot, drizzle with remaining butter. Bake, uncovered at 375 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until tender.

The winner of the recipe contest was Loretta Thrasher. She was given a wooden spoon with a big bow on it. Congratulations and good job! In case you don't know Loretta Thrasher, she was the witch that won 1<sup>st</sup> prize at Halloween. This was not fixed, I promise. She better go out and buy a lottery ticket!

Thanks to all who entered the contest. It was very hard to choose a winner. It was fun to bring back the old tradition of wearing an apron and using recipes. Bringing in all of our old pictures from the past was fun to see as well. Where has all the time gone? Thanks for bringing them in. Next month we will be recognizing our president. See you then!

## Nominating – Linda Chlanda, Karen Schmohl

Do you want to meet more people and have fun doing it? Consider an officer or committee position within our club. We are in the process of getting nominations for the 2018-2019 year. There are several positions open related to planning the program entertainment for our meetings, coordinating and overseeing the two annual fund raisers, and of course, the President, who oversees all activities. If you want more information or are interested in volunteering in any capacity, please contact Linda Chlanda at (440) 773-6593 or Karen Schmohl at (216) 524-7348.

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