

Brecksville Women's Club Newsletter



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President's Message – Mary Ann Baum



Hello Ladies,

Well I guess spring is right around the corner. That means you know what? It is time to get going on our second fundraiser for the year. Try to help Elaine and our club in some way, whether it is monetary, door prize or whatever. Elaine is very focused on her job, and is very professional in the manner in which she handles things. Elaine has her own business, and she is very busy, with that and the club. She really seems to like what she is doing, and she is extremely good at doing it. So let us all try to help her as we move forward with our fashion show, and make it successful, so we can continue to give our scholarships, and to the other philanthropic organizations that we support. I have already gotten a letter from the Brecksville-Broadview Hts. School District inquiring about the scholarships. They really do appreciate our involvement in the schools.

It was very nice to see our past Presidents at our luncheon, especially Marion Huefner, who is the last founding member of our club. On the other hand, it was also very sad, not to have Katie with us. We will miss her very much. Katie was always willing to help and support the club. Katie served on the executive board, on the board many times as a committee chairwoman in many different capacities, and served four terms as President. Katie is actually the one that got me involved on the board. God bless Katie and her family. I have to tell this story and I think all of you will relate to this, since everyone knew how spunky Katie could be. On our way to the cemetery, right in front of Heinen's, two cars started pulling out into the funeral procession because they had the green light. One car made it in the procession in front of the car in front of me, the other car almost hit me. I just thought of Katie, wanting to do it her way, even to the end.

Another thing we have to think about is filling our slate for the coming year. Please do not refuse, when Linda or Karen ask for your help. Remember a club is only as good as its members, as Joyce Avey used to always say.

Don't forget your yarn for Linda Adams, it seems like this project was on the back burner for a while until Elaine and I decided that Linda was actually a committee chairwoman. This is a wonderful thing that these gals do with these squares--putting them together to make an afghan for warm-up America.

I am sad to say that Helene Egley passed away at 100 years young. She was still coming to our luncheons at 95 years young driving herself. She was another loyal supporter of the club. God bless Helene and her family.

I would like to thank Thelma for the decorations, and the awesome job she did as auctioneer, she made a few bucks for the club--every little bit counts.

Second Vice President – Programs - Yetta Vaughan

The program this month is “Irishtown Bend”—after all, it is March! So let’s a little about the Irish in Cleveland as told to us by Doug Kusak..



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Third Vice President – Elaine Connelly

I am so excited to tell you more details about our Fashion Show fundraiser on Saturday, May 5, 2018. The flyer is enclosed in this newsletter. The fashions displayed will be mother-of-the-bride outfits as selected by Dr. Connie Korosec, Curator Fashion Design, Ursuline College.

The Grand Raffle tickets are being printed and will be distributed to those members present at the March General Meeting. Members not in attendance will receive them in the mail. As stated previously, it is expected that each member will sell/buy at least one packet of six tickets for \$5 to show support of our fundraising efforts. New this year will be an accounting of the tickets distributed to members. 1st prize is \$200 in cash, 2nd prize is \$185 Therapeutic Treatment Facial & Consult, 3rd prize is \$100 Pearl & Silver Earrings.

Inside Raffle prizes are being received and I believe you will be pleased at the variety of items that will be on display. Businesses, community members, and club members are donating prizes and/or cash for both the raffles and door prizes. You can contact me if you are interested in donating also.

Models are still needed for this fashion show. If you have daughters or granddaughters who wish to model, let me know.

If you can volunteer helping with set up the day of the event, this would also be appreciated. We will begin set up at 9 am.

A general reminder to all is that the center table decorations or any flowers displayed at the event should NOT be taken as they belong to either the event center or the club.

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

Thursday, March 22, 2018 11:30 am.

*Note change of date from which we previously announced

STANCATO's ITALIAN RESTAURANT Just north of Pleasant Valley Road on State Road

If you haven't been to Stancato's for their lunch buffet, you are in for a treat. For \$10.99, you can have a choice of different kinds of breads, pizzas, soups, salads, pasta, and meat dishes, etc. You can also order from the regular menu.

There is ample parking off State Road. If you can't get past the two steps at the main entrance, you can get in through the take-out door.

Everyone meet in the rear parking lot at St. Basil's church where we will decide who is driving to Stancato's. We all shall leave St. Basil's at 11am

Any Problems, call Ellie at Cell Phone 440-525-0461. She will also be at St. Basil's
Reservations by Tuesday March 20 2018: Ellie Brucken 440-526-6595 or Kathy Bolon 440-838-1471

Bridge – Liz Hagen, Sherry Petkovsek

The BWC Bridge group will be meeting on the first Thursday, April 5th at the Brecksville Human Services Center at 10:00 AM. We break for lunch in the Center's dining room at noon and play until about 2:30 PM. It is not necessary to make a reservation for lunch. Sherry or Liz will make a group reservation.

We welcome anyone interested in playing bridge as a member or substitute. Please contact Sherry at 440-740-1040 or Liz at 440-886-6471.

December Winners:

1st Place: Sherry Petkovsek
2nd Place: Jean Smiljanich

February Winners

1st Place: Jan Patterson
2nd Place: Lana Miklos

Hospitality – Gretchen Mates and Mary Jane Opatrny

Meeting: Tuesday, March 27, 2018

Lunch served PROMPTLY at 11:30 am



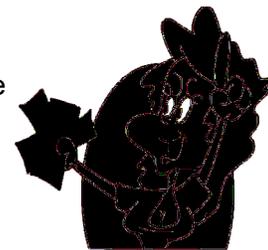
MENU

Signature Salad
City Chicken/Gravy
AuGratin Potatoes
Peas
Cake
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 **March 20**. Call Gretchen Mates 440-526-6481 to confirm your place.

Meeting Fun – Thelma Loeffler

You never know what might happen at BWC meetings. The head table decorated with red, white, and blue bunting and a Statue of Liberty in honor of our presidents. A club member remarked that they liked the decorations, so we put them up for auction. The beautiful flag plate to Dorothy Szymanski, for \$10.00. We know you will really enjoy that Dorothy. A beautiful red, white, and blue door swag went to Ellen Blackburn, she paid \$13.00. We all want to go to her house to see that on the front door. The heart shaped red, white, and blue door swag for \$7.00 went to Katherine Bolon. It was very patriotic. The little house with firecrackers over it went for \$4.00 to Connie Anselmo The total that went to the club was \$34.00. We all had a lot of laughs and fun. March 20 is the first day of Spring. We know this by looking out the window at our gardens. The tulips and daffodils are all popping up, or we could look at a calendar and it says March 20 is the first day of spring. That works too! Sure hope to see you at the March meeting!



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