

BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving with family or friends. I need to begin this welcome with a heartfelt thanks to all that worked hard to make our Holly Day Craft & Gift Show on Nov 18th so successful. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time!

As the holiday season begins, there are still many opportunities to get involved at BWC and continue to serve our community. We are on the brink of a new year, less than 31 days remain in 2023! The new year will come with new challenges and new OPPORTUNITIES and I have no doubt that the women of BWC will meet them all head on as we continue to serve others with all of our hearts!

Top 5 reasons to join BWC:

5. **Learn, Grow, Share.** Through volunteer work & community service, BWC club members learn new skills every single day.
4. **Enjoy a Rewarding Experience.** There is no greater feeling than making a positive impact on someone's life!
3. **Make New Friends.** Joining BWC is a great way to network with other people in our community and make new friends.
2. **Continue BWC's legacy.** The work at BWC requires a continuation of effort by many people. Strength in numbers brings great results.
1. **Serve the Community.** You can be a part of planning service projects that address the needs of your community.



Anchors Away,

Shannon



REMINDER

MEMBERSHIP MONDAYS!

The Clubhouse is OPEN every Monday for members to get together and do some good...have some fun...and get to know one another better! Social Butterflies and other groups are committed to keeping the projects going.

Have an idea or project you want to lead on a Monday night? Let Shannon know and she'll help spread the word to membership.

The Clubhouse is ours to use - let's use it!





Holiday Social 5:30pm

We will be having a catered meal from Olive Garden at the cost of \$10 per person.

~ **Please RSVP by Dec. 8th** ~

We are requesting that all members bring a wrapped \$20 gift to be donated to a Single Mom. Some examples are candle, body care, or gift cards.

****DON'T FORGET TO RETURN YOUR GIFTS IF YOU TOOK A GROW TO GIVE CHILD'S TAG****

There are always opportunities to volunteer! Please choose at least one and let Shannon or Tammy know where you plan to help.

- December 4th:** Christmas Decorating Day
9am-6pm
- December 13th:** Grow to Gift gift wrapping
night 4-8pm
- December 17th:** Grow to Give Event
1:00pm for volunteers
2:00pm event

ORDER YOUR BWC CLUB SHIRT!

We've had several new members since we placed our last order of BWC shirts. A new order will be placed soon - so get your size and money to Tammy at the December 11th meeting.

Can't make the meeting, but want to order?

Contact Tammy - (910)612-7912

~ Available in men's or women's cut ~

\$25 S-2XL ~ \$29 3XL-4XL

Cash/Check/Zelle



Spotlight on History!

Manatee Memorial Hospital was first proposed in 1939 by the ***Bradenton Woman's Club*** and other prominent members of the community. "A memorial to Manatee County veterans of all wars. Contributed by the public of Manatee County. "The pictured hospital, Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital opened in February of 1953 as a public hospital with 100 beds. The hospital began as a concept by the Bradenton Woman's Club and other community leaders in 1939. Delayed by World War II, fundraising did not begin until 1947. In 1963, the state legislature renamed to Manatee Memorial Hospital, dropping the 'Veterans' to avoid confusion, since it was not a Veterans Administration hospital. Today Manatee Memorial Hospital is a leading public hospital of 319 beds with many specialties such as orthopedics and heart care.



CSP HAPPENINGS



In November, ***Education & Libraries CSP*** members Pat Watkins and Karen Milek delivered Thanksgiving pencils and stickers in a mug for each second grade teacher at Ballard Elementary School.

We had a great **HOLLY DAY CRAFT & GIFT SHOW!!**
Thank you to all the members that volunteered
and shopped at the event!

