

BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

Fall has officially arrived according to the calendar! Pumpkin flavored everything, shorter days, and longer nights.

I'm sure you all have your own definitions and memories of Fall. BWC is in an exciting time of meetings, events being planned, getting to know each other more, and meeting new friends. As we all come together let's remember that BWC is about being aware of our community needs and making goals to help the chosen nonprofits that we want to help.

Please join a committee or two and be involved in what we do. We had 3 visitors at the September meeting. I love that you are inviting people, please continue to be a light in the community and show everyone what BWC is all about. As Heather French Henry said, "Volunteering is at the very core of being a human. No one has made it through life without someone else's help."



Shannon



*Happy
BIRTHDAY*

Oct 3rd : Kathie Hughes
 Oct 5th : Judy Drinan
 Oct 8th : Florence Galassini
 Oct 10th : Mary Anne Britton
 Oct 15th : Debra Lang
 Oct 17th : Joanne Pattison
 Oct 26th : Diana Chia
 Oct 28th : Gloria Comerford



New Members: please register for "member log-in" on our website.

REMINDER



MEMBERSHIP MONDAYS!

We want you to get to know one another better?

What better way than to plan a casual get-together at the clubhouse?

Just let Shannon know you plan to be there and the door will be opened for you!

Grab a few members to work on projects, play a game, fellowship, whatever you'd like to do to build better relationships!

Spotlight on BWC History!

In June 1913 nineteen women signed the charter of incorporation for BWC. Originally named Woman's Club of Bradentown, later changed in 1930 to Bradenton Woman's Club after Bradentown was changed to Bradenton. Just five years later in 1918, the women of BWC purchased two lots at the corner of Manatee Avenue and Virginia Drive for \$1,500.

The membership voted to beginning building a clubhouse on the property that was secured in 1918. Completed in 1921, the Bradenton Woman's Club building is testament to the long history of Bradenton and still serves its original purpose of women working for the betterment of the community.

For a number of years after construction, the Bradenton Woman's Club was the only public facility in Bradenton large enough to accommodate the diverse needs of the community. It is the only Woman's Club in Florida to have a mezzanine with an open two-story meeting space.

The clubhouse is a Colonial Revival-style building designed by architect Fred W. Kermode. The Colonial Revival design is distinctive for its period of construction during the Florida Land Boom, when Mediterranean Revival architecture was at its most popular in the state of Florida.

March 2019, the Bradenton Woman's Club clubhouse was designated on the National Park Service's National Register of Historic Places.





House REPORT

SEPTEMBER
2023

All wall scones & chandeliers have been installed. There were some delays and additional expense due to the original knob and tube wiring having to be replaced.

The wiring has not been replaced in the fireplace room, but the fans and chandeliers have been hung.

The exterior motion sensor light has been installed at the front door ramp.

The roof on the north side of the building has been installed.

The ceiling has been patched and just awaiting painting.

The pantry has had new lights and ceiling fans installed.

The pantry has been reorganized and all event items & tablecloths are now located there.

Upstairs has been cleaned and the hope is to install and decorate with period furniture.

New stage curtains that match the BWC header have been ordered and paid for by a donation.



PLEASE PAY YOUR
ANNUAL CLUB DUES!



CONTACT REBECCA
614-496-7909

*Please put these
upcoming dates on your
calendar.*

November 1st: President's Tea (11am-3pm)

November 4th: Tidewell Foundation Remembrance Walk

November 13th: BWC General Membership Meeting

November 18th: Holly Day Craft & Gift Show (9am-4pm)

December 11th: BWC General Membership Meeting & Holiday Social

December 13th: Grow to Give gift wrapping night

December 17th: Grow to Give Event

*Move information on
these dates to come!*



Meeting Reminder!

5:30pm- Snacks
Meeting @6pm

October 16th

CSP Host:

Wear: **Pink** for

Breast Cancer Awareness

Our speaker will be Kayla Terrel from HOPE Family Services. HOPE's primary purpose is to provide services to survivors of domestic violence and help them stay safe, gain strength, and evaluate their options. HOPE offers high-quality, life-saving services, which are confidential and offered at no charge for victims and survivors of domestic violence.



If you can help with the wish list, please bring an item to the meeting:

Items needed:

Baby items, body wash, bar soap, loofas, Black & African American haircare products, dish soap, laundry detergent, sponges, cleaning wipes & cleaning sprays

See the flyer attached for more items

Thank you to Rebecca, Laura & Arlene for hosting the snacks for the October Meeting.

Arts & Culture CSP will be providing some cultural facts about our **German** port-of-call.



There are lots of opportunities to help below. Please choose at least one and let Shannon or Tammy know where you plan to help.

October 1st- MC Adoptive & Foster Parent Association Fall Festival :This will be held at BWC Clubhouse 10am-3pm - it is the Halloween Costume Selection Party

October 14th- Masquerade Ball Murder Mystery Dinner - please reach out as there are still tickets for sale and volunteer opportunities needed the night of the event.

October 14th- District 14 Annual Meeting in St. Pete. Members are encouraged to attend. \$15 fee covers brunch. Register at <https://forms.gle/tMcvK3ovpuef97XG8>





Social Butterflies

The Social Butterflies again participated in the community art installation project in Virginia Beach. The theme this year is "Human Trafficking: Set Them Free".

In a similar fashion, the butterflies will "flutter" up the wall and across the ceiling of the art center, symbolizing how awareness about the signs of human trafficking can help rescue victims and set them free.

Victims of trafficking can be all around us.



27 Camp Boggy Creek Bears and 1 afghan were delivered to the GFWC-FL Fall Board meeting in Orlando.



Astronaut patterned bear to match the Fall Board "space" meeting theme.

BWC Ladies

YOU ARE AWESOME!



The smiles on the faces of Brenda Critchfield & Don Setterlof say it all. BWC ladies truly blessed **Avenue 941** last month with their individual after school program donations.



Shelter Wish List

Fall 2023

Visit our website:
www.HOPEFamilyService.org

Please follow us on social!



P.O. Box 1624
Bradenton, FL 34206-1624

Crisis HelpLine
(941) 755-6805

Outreach Office
(941) 747-8499



The Mission of HOPE Family Services is to provide safety, strength and well-being for those affected by domestic violence in Manatee County.

Children & Baby Items: diapers (size 5 - 7), pull-ups (size 5T - 6T), wipes, kids 3 in 1 shampoo, underwear (all sizes & genders), baby baths, car seats, booster seats & lightweight strollers

Adult Toiletry Items: body wash, bar soap, loofas, BIPOC, Black & African American haircare products

Cell Phone Chargers: Apple, Android & C-Type chargers, USB charging cube & home base charger

Fresh Start Items: dish soap, laundry detergent, sponges, cleaning wipes & cleaning sprays

Security Items: security cameras, door stop alarms, portable door locks & pre-paid cell phones (Trafone)

Gift Cards: gas stations, WalMart, Target, grocery stores, fast food restaurants, etc.

You may visit HOPE's Amazon Wish List & have items directly delivered to our Emergency Safe Shelter:

amzn.to/3OSzVjb