

Monthly Newsletter



BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB

September 2025

Thank you to everyone who came to Lakewood Ranch Music on Main and supported us! It was a HOT evening, but we kept the beverages COLD! Every purchase helps us continue our mission to serve women, children, and veterans in our community. Mojo Filter rocked the house!

The kids LOVED our "Spin-It-to-Win-It" Wheel! A huge shout-out to Sky Zone Bradenton-Lakewood Ranch for donating VIP passes! Thank you to our amazing clubwomen (and a few incredible husbands) who jumped in to help with sales, set-up, and clean-up. It takes a team... and we have the BEST at BWC!

BWC ROCKS THE LWR MUSIC ON MAIN!



We even made the news!
Check us out HERE in The Observer!



President's Welcome:

As summer comes to a close, I want to thank each of you for the many ways you've kept our club active and engaged.

We enjoyed social activities like trivia (thanks to Laura for her creative planning), many continued volunteering at food pantries, we attended Chamber Business After Hours to promote our club, others pitched in on clubhouse and landscape cleanup days, and several attended local art events. A few even traveled to Leadership Camp! We sold drinks at Music on Main, raising over \$3,200, kept planning for our Veterans Benefit Soiree, and sold out vendor space for our November Holly Day Craft & Gift Show.

Ladies—that was only this summer!

We are on the move, doing great things, and it is my honor to work alongside you! No matter how large or small your contribution, it matters—and YOU are deeply appreciated.

For the good our hands can do,



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Thursday, Sept 11 & 25th

Habitat for Humanity
Women's Build
7:30am-12 pm
Bradenton TBD

Monday, Sept 15th

BWC Membership Meeting
5:30 snacks/6pm meeting

Saturday, Sept 20th

BWC Wine Tasting Boat Outing**
4-8pm
@Twin Dolphin Marina
***Details coming soon!

Monday, Sept 22nd

BWC New Member Orientation
5:30pm-7:30pm
@BWC

Tuesday, Sept 23rd

BWC Book Club
5:30pm
@BWC

September 26-28th

GFWC Florida Fall Board Meeting in Orlando
(open to all members)

Saturday, October 4th

Veterans Benefit Soiree
6-10pm

Saturday, Nov 15th

Walk to End Alzheimer's
Nathan Benderson Park
8am check-in/9am walk
Join our Team

Sign Ups:

Veterans Habitat for Humanity Women's Build **Sign up Here:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CADA72AA6F4C43-58211511-habitat>

New Member Orientation **Sign up Here:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A4CADA72AA6F4C43-58211723-newmember>

Social Butterflies Group:

Sept 8 <https://fb.me/e/5SE4j5BhP>
Sept 22 <https://fb.me/e/8xZKilsjF>

Women's Self Defense Class:

<https://shorturl.at/4Rgng>

Veterans Benefit Soiree

Tell your friends & buy tickets now at:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/veterans-benefit-soiree-tickets-1431193591559>

Sept 11 Deadline - Sign up for Fall GFWC Board here:

<https://www.gfwcflorida.org/fall-board2025>
Club reimburses \$50 registration fee.

BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB IN THE
COMMUNITY
THE GOOD OUR HANDS CAN DO

THE GOOD OUR HANDS DID IN AUGUST!



To kick off the back-to-school theme, our Hospitality Committee set the tone with fun brown bag snacks before the Aug meeting.

Then, our members came together to support local classrooms with a table full of supplies to help teachers and students start the year strong! The room was filled with giving hearts, and the donations overflowed with everything a classroom could need.

We love our community and are proud to lend a helping hand to ensure every student has the tools for a successful school year.



Sometimes you have to get sweaty and do the hard stuff early on a Saturday morning — but keeping the grounds of our clubhouse weed-free is worth it!

Hats off to these members for “living the volunteer spirit” and keeping our historic clubhouse grounds looking tidy!



Member Spotlights



Sept 4 - Janice Crockett
Sept 9 - REXY Sharp
Sept 10 - Mary LeMay
Sept 10 - Mimi McCammon
Sept 10 - Kathy Slayter
Sept 11 - Fran Kain
Sept 14 - Joyce Courchesne
Sept 23 - Carrie Dunbar
Sept 25 - Ellen Mital
Sept 25 - Meghan Adams
Sept 27 - Melanie Koester
Sept 29 - Yvonne Krsytman
Sept 29 - Brandy Britton
Sept 30 - Pat Ling



WELCOME

NEW MEMBERS

SUSANNE BLAKE
JEANIE EHRHARDT
JENNIFER FRITCH
LYNNE GRIFFIN

Tell your friends of the great work we do and invite them to join us!



REMINDER:

**\$50 MEMBERSHIP DUES
ARE DUE BY SEPT 30TH
FOR ANY MEMBER JOINING
IN 2024 OR EARLIER.**

Pay NOW by:

Zelle to: 941-747-6222

Venmo to: @BradentonWC
or bring cash/check to our
Sept 15th Meeting

THANK YOU!

BWC was in the house — the house of Firkins Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram for Manatee Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours!

We ❤️ spending time with others, learning more about how we can serve, and making connections.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS (CSPs)

Education & Libraries

Thank you to Social Butterflies for joining in with Education & Libraries CSP to stuff teacher mugs for Ballard Elementary!



Health & Wellness Tip

Healthy Balsamic Chicken and Vegetables

Ingredients

- ¼ cup bottled Italian salad dressing / 2 Tbsp. balsamic vinegar / 1 Tbsp. honey ⅛ - ¼ tsp. crushed red pepper / 2 Tbsp. olive oil / 1 lb. chicken breast tenderloins / 1 (10-oz.) package fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces, or one 10-ounce package frozen cut asparagus, thawed and well drained / 1 cup purchased shredded carrot / 1 small tomato, seeded and chopped

Directions

1. In a small bowl, stir together salad dressing, balsamic vinegar, honey, and crushed red pepper. Set aside.
2. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add chicken; cook for 5 to 6 minutes or until chicken is tender and no longer pink, turning once. Add half of the dressing mixture to skillet; turn chicken to coat. Transfer chicken to a serving platter; cover and keep warm.
3. Add asparagus and carrot to skillet. Cook and stir for 3 to 4 minutes or until asparagus is crisp-tender; transfer to serving platter.
4. Stir remaining dressing mixture; add to skillet. Cook and stir for 1 minute, scraping up browned bits from bottom of skillet. Drizzle the dressing mixture over chicken and vegetables. Sprinkle with tomato. Makes 4 servings.



Environment

Join Oyster River Ecology for a project!

Oyster Reef Restoration at Robinson Preserve



Tue, Sep 16, 8am - 11:30am EDT

[Add to calendar](#)



Robinson Preserve

Bradenton FL, United States



Please save pop top tabs from any aluminum can and bring them with you to our meetings for recycling via donation to Ronald McDonald House.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAMS (CSPs)

Civic Engagement & Outreach - GFWC Day of Service Project

Please consider inviting those in your personal network—family, friends, and neighbors—who could benefit from this opportunity, particularly young girls like daughters, nieces, and others.

We encourage you to register them to join you!

We are also reaching out to local high schools and several non-profits dedicated to supporting young women. We anticipate a full house and hope you can be part of this event!

ALL WOMEN EMPOWERED

Presented by



BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB

**80% OF WOMEN
THREATENED BY AN
ASSAULT HAVE
STOPPED THEIR
ASSAILANT BY USING
THEIR VOICE & BODY
LANGUAGE**



WHAT WE WILL DISCUSS:

- Recognizing when there is a potential risk
- Skills to protect yourself
- Develop the confidence & knowledge needed to avoid compromising situations

**SATURDAY
SEPT 27TH**

10:00 am- 1:00pm

BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB
1705 Manatee Ave W

SCAN TO REGISTER



**ONLY
\$10**

LIGHT LUNCH INCLUDED

FACILITATORS
JODI & JOHN
ELITE TRAINING



QUESTIONS? EMAIL CINDY ELEY @ CINDYMELEY@GMAIL.COM

MEMBER ORIENTATION

Open to all...new and seasoned members - get more connected to BWC!

You will gain a deeper awareness of the opportunities available to you as a member, better understand the history of BWC, and the role it plays within our community today.

Plus, meet other new and longtime members - and plenty of time for Q & A!

**MONDAY
SEPT 22ND** • 6pm - 7pm
**light snacks & drinks 5:30pm*

Please RSVP to Laura
bradentonwc.membership@gmail.com






BRADENTON WOMAN'S CLUB

COMMUNITY



WILL BE GIVEN TO EACH PARTICIPANT!



to help us find
SPONSORS
for our Upcoming
Veterans Benefit Soiree
on October 4th!

*We aim to send 10 female veterans on a flight to honor their service.
Join us in making this mission possible!*

\$1,500 - "Dance Hall" Entertainment Sponsor (8 tickets)
 Top billing on all event materials, stage signage, name placement on marquee sign for 1 week (post-event), and recognition at event

\$1,000 - "Officers Club" VIP Sponsor (6 tickets)
 Premium signage at entrance to VIP Lounge, name placement on marquee sign for 1 week (post-event), and recognition at event

\$750 - "Mess Hall" Food Sponsor (4 tickets)
 Name placement on marquee sign for 1 week (post-event) and recognition at event

\$500 - "Canteen" Bar Sponsor (2 tickets)
 Signage at bar, naming opportunity for one of our two signature drinks (limited to the first two to sign up), and listing in program

\$800 - Sponsor One Veteran

Registration Deadline extended to Sept 11th for the Fall Conference!

BWC will reimburse the \$50 registration fee for all attending members.

www.gfwcflorida.org/fallboard2025

You Are Invited to
Register Now

Registration Fee: \$50
 Deadline for Early Registration WITH meals: September 2, 2025
 Late Registration: \$60 (no meals)



ALL ABOUT MEALS

Friday Dinner +\$55
 Saturday Lunch +\$50
 Saturday Dinner +\$55
 Sunday Lunch +\$54

[Click Here to Register](#)
[Click Here to Book Hotel](#)
[Click Here to Read FAQ](#)

ALL ABOUT HOTEL

Rosen Plaza Hotel
 9700 International Drive
 Orlando, FL 32819

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK HOTEL](#)

\$145/Night for Two People
 \$20 Per Additional Person Per Night





GFWC FLORIDA
presents

2025 FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
Serve with Heart, Lead with Honor

SARA DESSUREAU
 GFWC FLORIDA
PRESIDENT

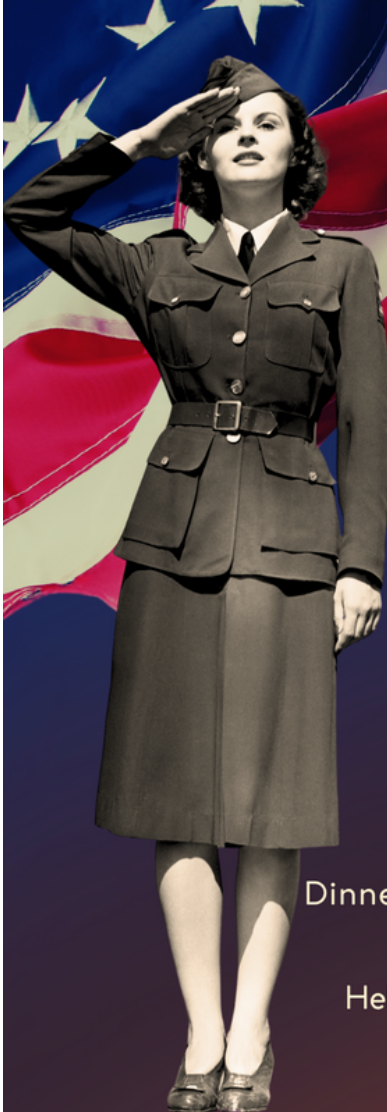
RACQUEL STURGIS
 GFWC FLORIDA
DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR CLUBS

SEPTEMBER 26 - 28, 2025 **ROSEN PLAZA
ORLANDO, FL**

REGISTER AT [WWW.GFWCFLORIDA.ORG](http://www.gfwcflorida.org)



Upcoming Events



Bradenton Woman's Club
presents

VETERANS BENEFIT SOIREE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4
6-10PM \$100 TICKET

*Let's honor their service with a journey
they'll never forget!*

Dinner · Gaming · The Paramount Swing Quartet · Open Bar
(Beer, Wine & Signature Cocktails)

Help us send 10 deserving female veterans to Washington, D.C.
to visit the memorials built in their honor.

Proceeds Benefit:
GFWC FLORIDA'S FLIGHT OF HONOR

**COCKTAIL
ATTIRE**

BUY TICKETS NOW: [BIT.LY/4K9APMR](https://bit.ly/4K9APMR)



www.BradentonWomansClub.com

• 21+ to attend

1705 MANATEE AVE W, BRADENTON

A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll free within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the state. 1-800-HELP-FL (435-7352) www.fdacs.gov CH58500

Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Call Gloria 617-930-5513 or Shannon 941-301-5813



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