

The Helping Hand

BATAVIA MOTHERS' CLUB FOUNDATION

SUMMER 2018

Message from our President

HOLLY MILLER, PRESIDENT 2017-2018

The Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation has completed its 84th year as a philanthropic organization at the heart of the community. Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors and the tireless efforts of our dedicated members, we were able to fulfill our mission and disburse \$23,893 to local schools and organizations at our spring disbursement reception. A total of 11 schools, including 3 preschools, and 36 community organizations were awarded disbursements to help fund programs that improve the quality of life for children and families in our community. This brought our final full-year donations over \$27,600.

Our members gave freely of their time in order to plan and carry out three successful fundraisers over the past year. The Fall Craft and Vendor show, held in October, brought approximately 900 people to Batavia High School to visit over 100 artisan and vendor booths. In February, everyone had a blast at Totally Rad 80s Bunco. The event was our most successful Bunco event to date. It was followed by an equally successful Fox Trot 5K/10K run. Over 350 runners, ranging in age from 3 - 92, took to the Fox River Trail on a crisp morning in April. We truly enjoyed seeing all the smiles as good was done, fun was had, and memories were made at each of these events.

Although much of our time was spent preparing for our three major fundraisers, we also participated in several community events and community improvement projects. Our members

organized and ran the Diaper Derby at the Windmill Festival. We welcomed novice teachers in BPS 101 with Target gift cards and collected winter coats for the Clothes Closet through our annual coat drive. We collected hams for families in need at Thanksgiving and provided Christmas gifts for 30 children through the United Way Adopt a Family program. Our members also volunteered their time to help with the ACCESS toy drive and Library summer reading kickoff. Our monthly Share and Care collections allowed members to donate goods to support local charities.

It has been my honor and privilege to serve as the president of this wonderful organization. The women whom I've had the pleasure of leading and serving alongside are so much more than just moms, as are all mothers everywhere. We all wear many hats, but the women in this organization are some of the kindest, smartest, funniest, hardest working, and most innovative people I've ever known. I am blessed to call them friends, and I am so proud of all we have accomplished over the past year. I know we will continue to do great things for our community. I want to express my sincere gratitude to all of our hard-working members, our incredible sponsors, our loyal community, our understanding families, and the many organizations that work relentlessly to fulfill the needs in our community. Without your continued support, we could not do what we do!



CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW

October 20, 2018
9AM - 3PM
Batavia High School

2017's event Raised over
\$16,000



BUNCO

January 12, 2019
Batavia Moose Lodge
A fun evening event

2018's event raised over
\$4000



FOX TROT 5K/10K

Held each spring.
2018 introduced a Stroller
Division and Charity Runners
to the 5K Race.

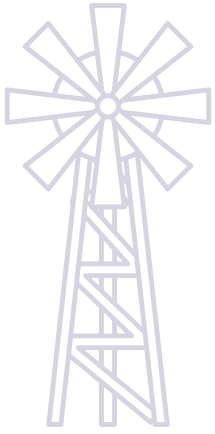
2018's event raised
approximately \$6200



DISBURSEMENTS

All funds raised are
distributed each May to local
area charities and Batavia
schools through grants.

See page 3 for details on
2018's total disbursements of
over \$27,000



Community Relations

CONNECTING WITH THE BATAVIA COMMUNITY

These events are always a fun way to connect our membership to the wider Batavia community. In July BMCF reprised our role in one of Batavia's favorite downtown events, the Windmill City Festival, hosting our annual Diaper Derby, a crawling race for babies ages 6 to 15 months. In August, members hosted a craft at the Farmers' Market Kiwanis Kids' Tent, followed in September by hosting Downtown Batavia Block Party's Pie Bake-Off which raised nearly \$600 for charities. We are looking forward to many more events in the coming year, including our annual Brownie Bake-Off contest and leading the annual Bat Fest Parade in October.

Autumn Craft & Vendor Show 2018

COMMUNITY PUMPKIN PATCH PUBLICIZES SEVERAL DISBURSEMENT RECIPIENTS



The BMCF Annual Autumn Craft & Vendor Show spotlights a juried selection of arts and crafts designed and created by the artist and also an opportunity for commercial vendors to display their products. The show includes the popular bake sale, charity raffle, lunch services, and the 50/50 Drawdown Raffle. In this raffle, every 10th ticket drawn receives a mystery prize and the last ticket drawn is the grand prize winner. You do NOT need to be present to win and only 200 tickets are being sold at \$20 each. BMCF may sell out before the show, so don't delay in contacting a BMCF Member or the club via email at craftshow@bataviamothersclub.org - please put BMCF Raffle in the subject line.

This well- attended event has a \$5 admission fee (\$1 off admission fee if bringing a new toy to donate to the ACCESS Toy Drive), and is only \$3 after 1pm, (kids 12 and under are free).

We are always seeking out raffle donations for our charity raffle, so if you are a business owner that would like to make a contribution, please contact us at craftshow@bataviamothersclub.org. In addition, sponsoring our event can help business owners gain publicity and contribute to the greater good of their community.

Our booths filled quickly this year due to the popularity of this friendly show. Vendor booths are full but there are a few crafter booths still available. For an application, visit our website at www.bataviamothersclub.org or send an email to craftshow@bataviamothersclub.org.

Rolling for Charity

TOTALLY RAD BUNCO TAKES US BACK TO THE 80'S



On Saturday, February 3, 2018, the Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation (BMCF) hosted a full-house for its 80's themed bunco event, I Love the 80s - Totally Rad Bunco.

Attendees and volunteers dressed their parts in neon colors, big hair, pumps, and shoulder pads, listened to tunes from the decade as well as nibbled on catered refreshments or flashback snacks like candy necklaces. Raffles and mini games accompanied the main event, Bunco. Most importantly, this event raised over \$4000 for our charities! The 80s theme created an entertaining and nostalgic atmosphere and has proven to be so fun we will be maintaining this theme for next year's event which will be held on January 12, 2019. Mark your calendar now; you won't want to miss it!

Fox Trot 5K/10K

THE FRIENDLIEST RACE ON THE FOX!



The 18th Annual Fox Trot 5K/10K Race took place on Saturday, April 28th. Over 350 runners came into downtown Batavia to race in the 5K, 10K, and kids' races along the beautiful Fox River. New and well-received this year was the Stroller Division and Official Charity Runner as part of the 5K.

These races could never have happened without the fantastic support of our sponsors, volunteers, and the dedicated runners who return, year after year, to our race. We extend our thanks to everyone who made this event such a success. We can't wait to see you all again next year!

Philanthropy

FULFILLING OUR MISSION

Giving back to the community is at the heart of all we do at the Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation. At our monthly general meetings, members contribute needed items and money to our "Share and Care" program, which benefits a different local charity each month. Organizations helped this past year were:

Sept: Mutual Ground
Oct: CHIP-IN-costumes
Nov: Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry
Dec: Access Toy Drive
Jan: Lazarus House
Feb: CHIP IN-Valentines
Mar: Fox Valley Literacy Volunteers
Apr: Hessed House
May: Living Well Cancer Research Center

Thanks to generous donations in 2017-2018, BMCF was privileged to disburse \$23,893 to local charities and schools this spring. In January, we began receiving applications from local organizations seeking help in furthering our shared mission of improving the lives of children and families. After considering all applications, we were pleased to disburse funds to more than 50 Fox Valley groups. Organization representatives were invited to receive their disbursements during an open house reception on May 22, 2018. BMCF members and our philanthropic partners enjoyed the opportunity to connect face-to-face. The Philanthropic Committee is looking forward to working with the community in the months ahead as we continue our efforts to improve the lives of our neighbors in need.

Sponsorship

PLANNING EVENTS IS ONLY PART OF THE STORY

BMCF's successes are, in large part, due to the generosity of our corporate sponsors and donors. Thank you to the businesses that have been contributing to BMCF for many years and to those new businesses and organizations that donated this year. Because of your generosity, we were able to host our annual fundraisers and raise money to improve the lives of children and families in our community.

We are proud of our 2017-2018 sponsors: Apollo Development and Investment, A.R. Bohr Roofing, LLC, Claccio Wealth Management, Kirk Family Dentistry, Sullian Taylor, Gumina, and Palmer, P.C.; Montessori Academy, Mosquito Joe, Meadow View Veterinary Clinic, Orangetheory Fitness (Geneva), and Martin & Kent Law Offices. Thank you for supporting BMCF's mission!

SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION AMOUNT DISBURSED

Alice Gustafson Elem. - flexible seating \$159
Anderson Animal Shelter \$500
Association for Individual Development (AID) \$500
Batavia Covenant Church \$300
Batavia Covenant Preschool - library software \$100
Batavia High School - audiobooks \$200
Batavia High School (in collaboration with the Batavia Environmental Commission) - retention pond restoration \$200
Batavia Nursery School - scholarship \$500
Batavia Public Schools - Britannica online encyclopedia \$3,090
Batavia United Way \$1,000
Batavia United Way - Christmas Families Program \$3000
Bulldogs Unleashed \$750
(Batavia Foundation for Educational Excellence,
Batavia Parks Foundation,
Batavia Library Foundation)
CASA Kane County \$1,000
CHIP IN Batavia \$1,000
Corbella Clinic \$100
ElderDay Center, Inc. \$500
Fox Valley Christian Church \$500
Grace McWayne - learning lab materials \$235
HC Storm Elem. - classroom library books (1st Grade) \$250
HC Storm Elem. - classroom library books (K- 2nd Grade) \$400
HC Storm Elem. - read alouds \$269
Hessed House \$500
Hoover Wood Elem. - interactive reading subscription \$150
Hoover Wood Elem. - learning centers materials \$100
Hoover Wood Elem. - literacy Footprints \$250
Humanitarian Service Project \$250
JB Nelson Elem. - class set of novel \$350
Lazarus House \$600
Lifespring Ministry of Wayside Cross \$500
Literacy Volunteers Fox Valley \$500
LivingWell Cancer Resource Center \$700
Louise White Elem. - biographies \$549
Louise White Elem. - literacy center materials \$391
Marklund \$1,000
Matthew Nena Foundation \$500
Mutual Ground \$500
NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) \$500
New Horizon's Preschool \$500
ReHome Center \$500
Royal Family Kids Camp \$1,000
Sudden Infant Death Services, Inc., \$250
Suicide Prevention Services of America \$1,000
TriCity Family Services \$500
TriCity Health Partnership \$500
Valley Sheltered Workshop \$500
VNA Health Care \$500
Water Street Studios \$500

Total 2018 Disbursements: \$27,643



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Come to the Craft & Vendor Show, Oct 20, 9am-3pm at Batavia High School

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