



Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation December 2017 Update

FROM THE PRESIDENT - Holly Miller

I hope everyone is enjoying a fun and festive holiday season! We are almost halfway through our year already, and I just want to say THANK YOU everyone for all of the time you have given thus far to the club and to our community. Your kindness and generosity make Batavia a better place to live. We have much to celebrate – a successful coat drive, ham drive, and craft show, lots of great share and care donations, a beautifully decorated Christmas tree representing our club's presence in the community, and 30 kids who are going to have gifts to open on Christmas morning because of us!

The December meeting will be at Pal Joey's. We will be discussing and voting on sponsorship of a bulldog statue for Batavia's Bulldogs Unleashed. I have contacted the Batavia Woman's Club about a potential partnership and co-sponsorship, but have not heard back from them yet. If you would like to learn more about Bulldogs Unleashed and review the sponsorships, please check out the website: <http://www.bulldogsunleashed.org/>. We are considering sponsorship at the gold level.

In lieu of after hours, we will have our holiday party at Pal Joey's immediately following the meeting, so come prepared to have some fun! Our wonderful hostesses are ordering some food for us to enjoy. If you plan to enjoy the feast and you haven't already contributed to the pizza fund, please bring money to help cover the cost of the food. Don't forget to bring a new or gently used toy to donate to the Access toy drive, and don't forget to wrap up something "real nice" and bring it along for the white elephant gift exchange. No live animals (or children) please!

You know what would make a fantastic Christmas present? Two Craft Show Chairs!!! We already have the makings of a great craft show committee with bake sale, apps and jury, and lunch chairs in place. Now we need a couple of fearless leaders to step up and be our new craft show queens (crowns available upon request). New members are eligible to chair as well, and this is a great way to really get involved in the club and get to know some of your fellow members much better. You will be given a binder with step by step instructions and everything you need to plan a great show, AND you will have the support of a strong committee and the whole club to back you up!

PRESIDENT ELECT - Eunice Turnbaugh

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving! It's time to get into the holiday spirit, looking forward to kicking off the season with everyone at our meeting and party on Wednesday!

PAST PRESIDENT - Nicole Boland

Cheers to the season of peace and joy! Next year's Craft Show committee is in need of TWO co-chairs! If you are interested in being a co-chair or sub-committee chair, please let me know. We need YOU to step up and help out. This event CANNOT happen without people to take charge of it. Don't forget this is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Also, it's not too soon to start thinking about what you may want to be doing next year in the club. If you have any questions about any of the positions, please let me know; asking DOES NOT commit you to anything. See you at the holiday party!!!

SECRETARY - Gabby Loboda

Anique has offered to cover my duties for the January general membership. Please continue to use the secretary@bataviamothersclub.org email as usual. Thank you Anique!

WAYS & MEANS - Kristin Gehrels

If you know anyone that would like to be a BMCF sponsor please let me know. I think it would be great if next year we could plan something for Giving Tuesday that would make it easy for people to donate to BMCF. If anyone has any ideas please send me an email.

Quick Calendar

- Dec 6 - General Meeting & Holiday Party at Pal Joey's**
- Dec 9 - Members' Holiday Party & Accessory Exchange at Jill's**
- Dec 12 - Christmas Family Gift Drop Off 7pm, from Cheryl's house to LWS**
- Jan TBD - Remove BMCF Community Tree decorations**
- Jan 10* - General Meeting *note 2nd Wed due to Winter Break**
- Jan 17 - Membership Open House 7-9pm at Panera**
- Jan 21 - Mom & Child Roller Skating 12-4pm at Funway**
- Feb 3 - BUNCO at Batavia Moose Lodge**
- Feb 7 - General Meeting at Batavia Public Library**

PHILANTHROPIC - Deanna Modaff & Cheryl Hasenjaeger

Thank you to everyone who shopped for a Christmas Family. If you have not dropped off your gifts yet, please do so as soon as possible. Label all packages with the child or family code number. Include all gift receipts, and don't forget to give all BMCF paperwork to us. Finally, be sure to include a roll or two of gift wrap with your items.

Please let us know if you can help bring gifts to the United Way collection event on the evening of **Tuesday, December 12th**. A signup sheet will be going around. Thank you!!!

December Share & Care is collecting for ACCESS Toy Drive.

January Share & Care will benefit Lazarus House. You can view their current needs list using this link: <https://lazarushouse.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/December-NEEDS-LIST.pdf> We will send out their Jan needs list closer to our next general meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS - Kat Maggio

BUNCO Registrations are coming- stay tuned! Please watch for updates to the BUNCO FB page and FB Event (to be developed) and share, share, share!

AUXILIARY - Kathy Evangelista & Pam Kent

We have partnered with Batavia United Way and adopted 7 children, 2 families this holiday. Wishing everyone the happiest of holidays!

BUNCO - Sarah Barrett, Heather Engelhart, & Julie Surina

Registration is coming soon for Bunco. Registration will take place through our website at <http://www.bataviamothersclub.org/events/bunco-charityevent/> when it is up and running. Bunco tickets this year will be the same as last: \$30 dollars per individual ticket or \$100 for 4 in advance, \$35 at the door. We will open doors at 6:30 and the first dice roll will be at 7:15. There will be three rounds of Bunco. Food is confirmed through Gammon House and will consist of sliders, baked beans, and coleslaw. John from Gammon is charging us \$6/ head. Nothing Bundt Cakes in Geneva will donate platters for our dessert table. We will once again be having a snack table of sweet and salty treats. The event will be on **February 3, 2018**, at the Moose Lodge in Batavia. Please let us know if you are unable to attend. We will have posters ready for hanging and sign-up information at our January meeting. At that time, we will be ready for some wonderful members to add a helping hand to making our event a success! In addition to the night-of help and the January sign-ups, we are asking for members to review our raffle donations list. If you have a connection to a person or business on the list and you are willing to contact them for a donation, please make a note on the list and contact them. It is hoped that if a few more people are willing to reach out to their contacts, we will be more successful in acquiring donations. We are also looking for bottles of wines to be donated. The bottle should have a retail value of \$10. Thanks!

COMMUNITY RELATIONS - Anique Drouin

We have decorated our community Holiday tree with the great ornaments you all supplied, thanks for participating and making all those cute little yarn hats. In January, I'll need a few volunteers to help me remove the ornaments/decorations from the tree. Again, those events help meet your community relations requirement.

Our next community relations event is the **Access Toy Drive this Sunday, December 10th at 1:30 pm** at the former Walgreen's location on Wilson street. Be there at 1:30 for instructions and the Mayor's message--then we'll get started helping for a few hours and making merry for those "shopping" at the Access Toy Drive event.

FOX TROT - Elizabeth Larson & Tonya Cook

We are moving forward using Saturday, April 28th, 2018 as our date.

HISTORIAN - Palak Coleman

Take and email plenty of pictures and news clippings!

HOSTESS - Allison Wadle & Christina Marotta

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Pal Joey's! There will be a White Elephant gift exchange after the official meeting, so start looking for that special gift. Anyone who didn't contribute money for the food at the November meeting can still contribute on Wednesday; just give the money to Allison or Christina.

MEMBERSHIP - Jill Lowe

Thank you to all members who have brought guests to our meetings thus far - keep them coming because we really need some more members! Our next Membership Open House is scheduled for **Wednesday January 17th** at Panera Bread in downtown Batavia from 7-9 pm. If anyone would like to volunteer to help out at the Open House, please let me know. I am working on a New Member Outing for February - date TBD. A membership flyer can be downloaded from [Facebook](#) or our [website](#) that promotes our Club. Please spread the word and print & hang up at any local businesses or schools that you have connections with. I really appreciate your help. Have a happy holidays everyone!!!

RECREATION - Amanda Horne

Holiday party Saturday December 9, 7pm at Jill's house. BYOB and an appetizer or dessert to share. We'll also have an accessory exchange, so bring something you don't use anymore and go home with something new to you.

Mom & Child Roller Skating, January 21, 12-4pm at Funway.

The Salt Escape, date to be determined. We need a minimum of 6 people to get the rate of \$20. If we have less than 6 the rate is \$30 per person. Evite will be sent to gauge interest.

