



Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation December 2018 Update

FROM THE PRESIDENT - Eunice Turnbaugh

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and is enjoying the beginning of the festive holiday season. A big THANK YOU to all for the philanthropic activities that you've been doing, by donating hams for the annual ham drive and buying presents for Christmas families. Our beautiful BMCF/Batavia Women's Club tree is up and decorated by the Riverwalk. Many thanks to those that braved the cold to connect with the Batavia Women's Club to make that happen. Don't forget the December meeting will be at the new Pal Joey's on Randall. Our holiday party will immediately follow, so stick around, socialize and be merry. 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. Also, please bring a new or gently used toy to donate to the Access toy drive, and of course, be sure to wrap up something "real nice" and bring it along for the white elephant gift exchange (and nope don't wrap your kids as I'm sure that's tempting to do!)

It's been a wonderful year, wishing everyone a fantastic holiday and on to 2019! Cheers!

PAST PRESIDENT - Holly Miller

We are already almost halfway through our fundraising year, and it's been a great year so far! I hope you are all enjoying the beauty and festivities of this holiday season, and I'm looking forward to seeing what 2019 will bring for us. I'm hoping it will bring a few dedicated ladies to fill the open subcommittee positions for craft show. We are still in need of people to head up the signs and posters and raffle committees, and a brave soul to take on apps and jury and train with Jennifer and Amanda to be a co-chair next year. These positions require a little extra work, but serving in this way is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other members better and build lifelong friendships! Please come see me if you are interested in taking on one of these positions, or if you would just like some more information.

PRESIDENT ELECT - Maura Hirschauer

Happy holidays to everyone! Thank you for all your hard work in this first half of the year. I'm looking forward to a wonderful bunco fundraiser in January! Get your hairspray, blue eyeshadow, and crimpers ready!

TREASURER - Cheryl Hasenjaeger

No report

WAYS & MEANS- Kristin Gehrels

Thank you to everyone that participated in the Yankee Candle Fundraiser and the Portillo's fundraiser. The Yankee Candle fundraiser raised almost \$200 for Batavia Mothers' Club. Online sales are still open through January 9th and earn BMCF 40% of sales made through the fundraising website. I hope to find out the Portillo's total very soon. A big thank you to Pam for starting a grant request process from Allstate. After filling out the online grant form I found out BMCF will be receiving a \$1000 grant! We also have a new sponsor. Bulldog Plumbing will be joining our list of Gold sponsors. They will also give any Batavia Mothers' Club members a 10% discount off services. You must mention that you are a member before service is completed. Let me know if you have any ideas for new sponsors to reach out to or ideas for fundraisers.

Quick Calendar

- Dec 5-General Meeting 7pm** at Pal Joeys
- Dec 9-** Access Toy Drive 12:45-5pm (Community Rel.)
- Dec 11-** Northern IL Food Bank volunteer 6pm (rec)
- Dec 15-** Holiday party at Jill's 7pm (rec)
- Dec 17-** Deliver gifts to United Way collection 5-8p (Phil)
- Dec 27-** Bunco raffle donations due to Gabby
- Dec 28-** Raffle Basket Wrapping at Gabby's (date tentative)

- Jan 9- General Meeting 7pm** at Batavia Moose Lodge
- Jan 9-** Yankee Candle online orders end
- Jan 12-** Bunco at Batavia Moose Lodge (set up at 12:30, doors open 6:30pm)
- Jan 17-** Feed My Starving Children 6-7:30pm (rec)

PHILANTHROPIC - Elizabeth Larson

Thank you everyone for your generosity! Last month we collected 30 items and \$30 for Hessed House and \$113 for our Ham Drive. This month's Share and Care is for the Access Toy Drive.

Thank you to everyone are shopping for a Christmas Family. Please remember when you drop off your gifts, 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 Monday, December 17th from 5-8 p.m. A signup sheet will be going around.

Happy Holidays.

COMMUNICATIONS- Kat Maggio

Web: Bunco Registrations will be live by meeting time on Wednesday (listen for update during the meeting and watch on Members' FB Group & email). Fox Trot Registrations up next.

Press Releases & Publicity Pushes: Bunco, Fox Trot Save the Date, Yankee Candle promos.

Facebook- Yankee Candle Online orders added as an event that you can share- Goes through Jan 9, don't believe what FB says- we'll keep updating the date.

AUXILIARY- Kathy Evangelista & Pam Kent

We had to reschedule our Coopers Hawk wine tasting event due to the snowstorm. New date TBD. Kathy & Pam have been planning with Bunco and making raffle calls. We wish you all a wonderful holiday season!!

BUNCO - Gabby Loboda, Pam Kent & Kathy Evangelista

The event will be on January 12, 2018, at the Moose Lodge in Batavia. Please let us know if you are unable to attend. Send email to gabbyloboda@yahoo.com with this information. Also set up will start at 12:30 pm that day so if you are able to come help with set up, that is greatly appreciated. We need at least 10-15 people, the more there the faster it will go. Registration is coming soon. Registration will take place through our website at <http://www.bataviamothersclub.org/events/bunco-charity-event/> when it is up and running. An email will go out to last year's registrants

as soon as we know registration is all good to go. Bunco tickets will be the same as last: \$30 dollars per individual ticket or \$100 for 4 in advance, \$35 at the door. People can pay with credit card, cash or check but registration will not be finalized until payment is received. For those that secure registration by 12/31/18, their name will be entered into a drawing for a prize. Day of event: 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 Enticing Cuisine and will consist of Bruschetta, Caprese kabob, BBQ pork slide, Bacon and cheddar stuffed red potatoes, Swedish meatball, Vegetable tray, Fruit tray at \$7/head (with 100 registrants). Nothing Bundt Cakes in Geneva will donate a cake and Miranda will donate cupcakes for our dessert table. One or two other places are also being contacted for additional desserts. I plan to make some sugar cookies and decorate them like rubix cubes. If anyone wants to help with this, let Gabby know. We will once again be having a snack table of sweet and salty treats. Thank you for signing up. Also thank you for reaching out to businesses for raffle donations and wine pull donations. Please secure raffle donations by 12/22/18 and get donations to Gabby by 12/27. Tentative raffle wrapping on 12/28/18 at Gabby's from 10 am-2 pm. Wine pull donations can come to January meeting (or drop off to Gabby). Pam will collect money if you indicated you'll make that donation. We have \$50 towards a case of wine being donated to us at cost. Night of events will include What's in your purse, Wine pull, Raffle baskets, Silent auction (if we get Disney tickets in time) and Heads or Tails. We are not doing the card game. If anyone has small paper plates, napkins, plastic ware and toothpicks we'll take them. To help with raffle calls, I've printed businesses on slips of paper, if you haven't contacted a place yet or are willing to call another, please take a slip to make a call. We're getting very excited and also realize this is a busy time so please remember BUNCO! Thanks.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS- Naomi Krodel

We decorated our community Holiday tree for the "Celebration of Lights" festival in downtown Batavia with the help of the Batavia Women's Club. Thanks for your cute cinnamon stick ornaments. On the morning of Saturday, January 5th we will be taking down the decorations. Please help if you can. Again, those events help meet your community relations requirement.

Our next community relations event is the Access Toy Drive this Sunday, December 9th at Water & 1st Streets (old American Cancer Society building) in downtown Batavia. We will help parents shop for their children. There are two shifts: 12:45-3 & 2:45-5PM.. A mini drive will be from 5:45-8 on Wednesday, December 12th if you can't make the other date. They need 5-7 volunteers per shift. More info is on the Sign Up Genius. Thank you!!!

CRAFT SHOW- Amanda Horne & Jennifer Koch

We are currently enjoying the time off for the rest of 2018!

FLOWER FUND - Tonya Cook

Secret Sis has been assigned and sent out. No other updates.

FOX TROT-Laura Fields & Palak Coleman

We are moving forward with Foxtrot 2019 planning. This year we will be doing just a 5k due to repaving of the 10k course. Stay tuned for more details!

HISTORIAN- Nicole Boland

Continue to take tons of amazing photos! There are lots of photo ops coming up this month so snap away and share the holiday cheer!
Historian@bataviamothersclub.org

HOSTESS- Deanna Modaff & Allison Wadle

We are 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 to share with the group!! Anyone who didn't contribute money for the food at the November meeting can still contribute on Wednesday. Please turn your money in to Allison or Deanna. And of course, we are still collecting for Share and Care prizes, so if you find any extra JEMs when looking for your White Elephant... Bring them on by. AND Allison still has Gaters to sell.

MEMBERSHIP- Anique Drouin

Happy Holidays to all of you! We have our spirit wear delivered and I'll be handing them out at our December meeting. I'm planning a January 22nd Open House at 7 pm at Bar Evolution (still trying to confirm with the owner that we can do it there). If you know of anyone interested in joining, then let them know to drop by our Open House and chat with some of us. Anyone who wants to join me in greeting potential new members would be welcome as well!

RECREATION- Krystal Kleinschmidt

PJ Bunco - Was on Nov 30. Great turnout and lots of fun! Will be planning a couple other Bunco nights in the spring.

Upcoming Events:

Volunteer at Northern Illinois Food Bank - Dec 11 6-8pm. Children 8 and over also invited. Evite sent. Maximum of 14 spots.

Holiday Party - Sat, Dec 15 at 7pm at Jill Lowe's; bring an accessory to exchange if you'd like. Evite sent.

Volunteer at Feed My Starving Children - Jan 17 6-7:30pm. Children 5 and over also invited. Evite sent.

