



Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation December 2019 Update

FROM THE PRESIDENT - Maura Hirschauer

I hope that you are all enjoying a fun and festive start to this holiday season. We are just about halfway through our year and have accomplished so much! From a successful Craft Show, to the countless community events we have participated in, to the holiday shopping we are doing for families in Batavia. Every sacrifice you have made, soccer game you missed, or night away from your family is meaningful. Together we do such good for our community. Our BMCF Christmas tree looks fabulous, thanks to Greta and Megan, and to Dayana for the warm treats. It looked like a fun day of decorating! The Bunco Committee is hard at work preparing for another amazing event. Be on the lookout for communications from the team as we near the date of Totally Rad Bunco. It is going to be another totally tubular night, get your crimpers and blue eye shadow ready!

Our December meeting is a time to celebrate and enjoy our time together. We will have a short meeting at Pal Joey's, followed by the always eventful White Elephant gift exchange. I wish you and yours a warm holiday season! Thank you again for your commitment and dedication to BMCF.

PAST PRESIDENT - Eunice Turnbaugh

I hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving! The official holiday season is upon us and with it many of the charitable events and opportunities through the club and community. I'm looking forward to the festivities as I'm sure you are as well! On to 2019 and filling some open subcommittee positions we have for Craft Show. Never too early to start planning, and now is the time. We are looking for leads to head up signs and posters, 50/50 and basket raffle as well as apps and jury. These positions are open to all members and would be a great way to get involved with the club and get to know other members. If you are interested in leading any of these positions, please see me. Wishing you and your families a very Happy Holidays!

PRESIDENT ELECT - Kat Maggio

No update for President Elect.

SECRETARY - Kristi Bertie

Each member of the club earns and accrues points in the club for various positions held AND for being a general member of the club. Points earn you seniority for choosing Craft Show committees on which to serve. Points are totaled by the Secretary throughout the month of January and will be given to the President-Elect prior to the February meeting. If you have any questions, please let me know! I'm happy to talk you through it.

TREASURER - Shannon Juarez

There is no report for Treasurer.

WAYS & MEANS- Amanda Horne

Thanks to everyone who went to Salsa Verde for our dining fundraiser. I haven't heard how much money we will get yet, I'll send an update when I find out. I am working on setting up a fundraising shopping night at Six+Cypress.

Quick Calendar

Dec 4- General Meeting & White Elephant Exchange

7pm at Pal Joey's (payment goes to Naomi)

Dec 4- Ham Drive (money goes to Elizabeth at meeting)

Dec 6- Last day for Cabi fundraiser (talk to Megan)

Dec 8 to Dec 14- Drop off Christmas Family gifts to Jess or Elizabeth

Dec 14- Holiday Party 7pm at Shannon's (Rec)

Dec 15- Batavia Access Toy Drive 1pm at Newton House

Dec 16- Deliver Christmas Family gifts to United Way
5:30-8pm

Jan 8- General Meeting 7pm at Bar Evolution

Jan 22- Board+Bunco Meeting 7pm

Middle/Late Jan- Membership Open House

Feb 5- General Meeting 7pm at Library

Feb 15- Paramount Theater Subscribers 8pm

Feb 15- Bunco business donation deadline

Feb 23- Bunco basket wrapping (tentative)

Feb 29- Bunco at Moose Lodge,

12:30p Setup, 5:30p Members arrive for event

PHILANTHROPIC - Elizabeth Larson

A giant thank you ladies, we collected 33 items and \$41 for the Batavia Interfaith Food Pantry for November's Share and Care. This month's Share and Care is for the Access Toy Drive.

We also have the **Ham Drive** this month, where we collect hams for the Interfaith Food Pantry. This year we will be collecting money and will have one person shopping for the hams. We will be collecting money at the meeting.

Finally, thank you to everyone who is 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 16th from 5:30-8 p.m. A signup sheet will be going around.

COMMUNICATIONS- Palak Coleman & Laura Fields

Web: Bunco registration is OPEN! It has been sent to last year's participants first, and then we will open it up to the public. Watch on Members' FB Group & email for when we're ready for you to help share the event. Fox Trot Registrations will also be opening in January.

Press Releases & Publicity Pushes: Bunco and Fox Trot Save the Date

Social Media: Please share any events, fundraisers, etc. that you see from our public BMCF page to your personal pages. That will help disseminate our information on a larger scale. Thanks!

AUXILIARY- Nicole Boland & Christy Kulczycki

No update for Auxiliary.

BUNCO 2/29 - Gabby Loboda & Jess Benelli

Event information: The event will be on February 29, 2019, (club members to arrive at 5:30 pm) at the Moose Lodge in Batavia. Please let us know if you are unable to attend. Send email to bunco@bataviamothersclub.com as soon as you know. 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. Registration is open for last year's registrants and will be open to the public by 12/8/19. Bunco tickets will be the same as last: \$30 per individual ticket or \$100 for 4 in advance, \$35 at the door. People can pay by credit card, cash or check but registration will not be finalized until payment is received. For those that secure registration by 12/31/19, their name will be entered into a drawing for a prize. We have been gifted 9 rubix cube decorations for our use (the same from last year, just more) so if you are a HW family and are attending their trivia night late January; keep an eye on 'em. We'll get them after their event.

Day of event: Club members arrive 5:30 pm. We will open doors at 6:30 and the first dice roll will be at 7:15. There will be three rounds of Bunco. Night of events will include What's in your purse, Wine pull, Raffle baskets, Silent auction and Heads or Tails. Food and raffle is our focus right now. We plan to inquire with the 3 newest Batavia restaurants to offer a sampling of Batavia at our event. Things should be solidified by the January meeting. We plan to make some sugar cookies and decorate them like rubix cubes and pac man. If anyone wants to help with this, let Gabby or Jessica know. We will once again be having a snack table of sweet and salty treats however the current plan is for the Bunco budget to cover these snacks.

Club requests: We will be passing around a sign up for 80's themed candy. We will have a sign-up for food for our members at the event. We will also ask if anyone wants to donate a bottle of wine for the wine pull. This will be in addition to requesting from businesses. This and other business donation requests will take a lot of work so as in all other events, if you would be willing to contact a business or have a contact for a business please let us know. Look for these sign-ups, either through facebook and/or at the January meeting.

Mark your calendar: All donations need to be secured by 2/15/20. Basket wrapping tentative date is 2/23/20.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS- Greta Bennion & Megan Newman

We had a really great turnout for decorating our holiday tree for the **Celebration of Lights** festival on 11/16. Thanks again to everyone who helped decorate and make our cute reindeer ornaments! It was a fun activity for the kids, especially, and seemed to get everyone in the holiday spirit. Many thanks also to Dayana for bringing her special homemade hot chocolate— such a great idea and a big hit with everyone! We would also love to have a few volunteers to help take down our decorations, most likely the first or second weekend of January, so look out for an announcement about that soon.

We will also be needing volunteers to help once again with the Annual **Batavia Access Toy Drive**, taking place on Sunday, December 15 at 1

pm at the Newton House. Look out for a Sign-up Genius and more details to follow, soon!

CRAFT SHOW- Amanda Horne & Jennifer Koch

No update for Craft Show.

FLOWER FUND - Katie Tharp

Cassie Fowler delivered her baby girl, Olivia Grace! Thank you to those who volunteered to provide a meal. Cassie also welcomes those who wish to visit and help out.

There were a handful of people interested in **Secret Sis**. The matches were delivered early this week.

FOX TROT 4/25- Michelle Szarszo & Alexandria Jenson

We are moving forward with Foxtrot 2020 planning. We have contacted Winston Rasmussen to have the course recertified - once we have approved of the cost he will move forward. We have reserved Panera Bread for packet pick-up. Coming soon will we be contacting our committee members for help!

HISTORIAN- Kristin Gehrels

Thank you to everyone that has sent me photos of BMCF events. Watch for social media posts coming soon to promote and sell Bunco tickets. Please share with your Facebook friends when you see them.

Please keep taking pictures at club events and send originals to me. You can email or text them to me. Historian@bataviamothersclub.org, 773-627-6454. Also, if you see any mailings/papers with BMCF articles I would love to have those as well.

HOSTESS- Naomi Krodel

Tonight, let's have a fun time eating, enjoying each other's company, and opening crazy white elephant gifts! We will be meeting on Wed, Jan. 8 at Bar Evolution, and then Wed, Feb. 5th we will be at the library. I will send out reminders for the Jan. snack people. I also still need Care and Share donations for our monthly prize. Thanks and have a great holiday season everyone!

MEMBERSHIP- Anique Drouin

Happy holidays to everyone! I've received the Spirit Wear delivery and I will be bringing them to our December meeting. It's also the time of year that I start to plan the January Open House for potential new members. I'd love some feedback about whether I should try Bar Evolution again, or go back to Panera. It'll be a date in the 3rd or 4th week of January. Stay tuned!

RECREATION- Cheryl Hasenjaeger

Holiday Party - Saturday, Dec 14 at 7pm at Shannon's. Bring an accessory to exchange if you'd like. Evite sent.

We're looking into dates for PJ Bunco. It will be in January or February at Jess Bland's house. Evite coming soon!

