



Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation *September 2019 Update*

FROM THE PRESIDENT - Maura Hirschauer

Welcome back fabulous members! I hope you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed some much needed sunshine and family time. I am so excited for the year ahead! It is going to be filled with fun social events, opportunities to connect with the community, and, of course, our three amazing fundraisers. I would like to thank all the members who have been hard at work over the summer. The Craft Show committee has been diligently planning, hunting down raffle donations, and evaluating applications. It is sure to be another successful event! I would also like to give a huge shout out to the ladies who helped with Diaper Derby, our Farmer's Market booth, and the Pie Bake-Off. These three small events served as key advertising opportunities and helped to get our name and mission out to the community. Also, we raised an impressive amount through our work in the Pie Bake-Off. All in all it was a successful summer and I know that it will be an even more successful year! Thank you all for joining in our mission of helping women and families in the Fox Valley. I look forward to working with you all this year. Let's make 2019/2020 the best one yet!

PAST PRESIDENT - Eunice Turnbaugh

Welcome back to the new year! Hoping everyone had a fantastic summer and I'm looking forward to catching up with everyone. Time to jump right in and get ready for our biggest fundraiser of the year Craft Show, coming up next month. Many thanks to our hardworking chairs Amanda and Jennifer who have been coordinating throughout the summer with their subcommittee chairs to make it happen. If you might be thinking about taking on one of the Craft Show positions for next year, now is the time to start talking about it. Please come see me!

PRESIDENT ELECT - Kat Maggio

Welcome back! We're full-steam ahead on events and activities already this year- I'm here to support you! Let me know what you need.

TREASURER - Shannon Juarez

Please come with a cash or check to pay your annual dues.

General membership is \$30, auxiliary membership is \$25, and associate membership is \$25. A check is preferred and please make sure to put "dues", "aux. Dues", or "Associate dues" in the memo area.

Also, bring any receipts for reimbursement. I'll have copies of the reimbursement form, or you can download the form here: <http://www.bataviamothersclub.org/wp-content/uploads/BMCF-Check-Request-PDF.pdf>

Great job to everyone that helped with the Pie Bake Off! Rough estimate of proceeds is about \$780. I have not received any receipts for reimbursement yet (if there are any) and we are waiting for a check from food tickets we submitted to Main Street still.

WAYS & MEANS- Amanda Horne

Many of our sponsors that were due to renew their sponsorship are going to continue with sponsorship this year. I am always looking for new sponsors, so if you know of anyone who may consider being a BMCF sponsor please let me know and I will reach out to them. Thank you to everyone that supported our sponsors businesses, thanked them, and recommended them to others. I will hand out an updated Levels of Giving sheet at the meeting so that everyone can see the benefits our sponsors receive at the different levels of giving. Remember that

Quick Calendar

- Sept 11- General Meeting 7pm** at Bar Evolution
- Sept 18-** Board Meeting 7pm BOD and CS chairs only
- Sept 20- Coat Drive Begins-** drop off bins!!
- Sept 20-**Kickoff Party - 7pm @ Cheryl's house
- Sept 21-** Deadline for CS schedule requests

- Oct 2- General Meeting** at Batavia Public Library
- Oct 4- Coat Drive Ends-** pick up bins!!
- Oct 5 or 6 -** Basket Wrapping Party @ Michelle's House
- Oct 18-** Craft Show Basket transport to high school
- Oct 18-** Craft show setup 6-9 pm
- Oct 16-** Board Meeting 7pm BOD and all chairs
- Oct 21- 34th Annual Autumn Craft & Vendor Show**
6am - 9am-3pm Public Shopping -5pm Cleanup
- Oct 25 -** Halloween party - 7pm @ Palak's house

- Nov 6- General Meeting** at Moose Lodge
- Nov 16 -** Paramount Theatre - Beauty and the Beast (Rec)
- Nov 20-** Board Meeting BOD only

individuals and families can be sponsors too! Sponsorship levels start at just \$50 and are tax deductible.

PHILANTHROPIC - Elizabeth Larson

We began the school year by welcoming 27 new teachers to Batavia Public Schools. Each teacher was presented with a note of welcome and a \$20 e-gift certificate to Amazon; we have received many thoughtful thank you notes. At the meeting we will pass around a signup sheet for school ambassadors. School ambassadors get Philanthropic credit for serving as a liaison between BMCF and the schools throughout the year. School ambassadors also serve as "bin queens" for the schools during the coat drive.

Our annual Coat Drive is kicking off this month! This year's event will take place September 20th – October 4th. If you sign up to be a school ambassador, please take a bin home with you. We have a few non-school locations on the signup sheet as well. Please sign up for a location. We ask that you put out the bin to collect coats at your location, check on it one to two times during the drive, and pick up the bin at the end of the drive. We will sort coats in October and donate to the Batavia Clothes Closet.

Finally, our Share and Care for September is the General Store for the Batavia Apartments. The General Store is available for residents of the Apartments and residents can shop for personal care items with points they have earned from attending classes and events. They are in need of items like toilet paper, paper towels, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, and tissues. Please bring an item or two to the September meeting or consider contributing to the pink Share & Care box as it makes its way across the room. Thanks everyone.

COMMUNICATIONS- Palak Coleman & Laura Fields

Web: New members: Please register at our website bataviamothersclub.org for access to the member directory, internal calendar, and various forms and documents.

Facebook: Please like, follow, and share our pages, posts, & events. @bataviamothersclub, @BMCFCraftShow, @BMCBunco, @BMCFoxTrot

Web Page: Still working on Heartland payment page.

Calendars: Internal and Public Calendars available on our website and are subscribable. The Public Calendar lists events that are open to the public/new members. The Internal Calendar has internal events including Rec events, setup/cleanup times for events, and members-only meetings and events. If you have an event that we don't have listed yet, please let us know.

Press Releases: Craft Show, Coat Drive, Bunco

Publicity: We would love to hear how your family finds events to attend. This will help us prioritize BMCF event publicity.

Volunteers: We have a new place to solicit volunteers and publicize events -- VolunteerFoxValley.org. We have posted information about Craft Show and an advertisement for members. We can also publicize needs for non-member volunteers e.g. for FoxTrot here.

AUXILIARY- Nicole Boland & Christy Kulczycki

Welcome back! Auxiliary is happy to support the club this year. Since the September meeting has been moved, we will not bring snacks to this first meeting. We got your back for October though!

BUNCO - Gabby Loboda & Jess Benelli

Totally Rad Bunco will be held at the Batavia Moose Lodge on 2/29/20! We're looking forward to a leapin' great time with confirmed host, Sarah Barrett. We're developing new ideas for this year's installment, stay tuned.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS- Greta Bennion & Megan Newman

No report

CRAFT SHOW- Amanda Horne & Jennifer Koch

Our wonderful Craft Show committee chairs have been working this summer to get ready for Craft Show. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. It is a lot of fun, but it takes a lot of work. This show wouldn't be a success without all of our wonderful committee chairs! Thank you all!

Important Upcoming Dates:

● **September 21:** Deadline for Craft Show schedule requests. Requests need to be submitted by email to Amanda, AmandaEHorne@gmail.com or Jennifer, tanzygreen@yahoo.com by September 21 for consideration. The work schedule will be completed by the October meeting.

● **October 5 or 6 (TBD):** Basket wrapping at Michelle's house. Please help with if you are available.

● **October 18:** Basket transport. All baskets must be taken from Michelle's home to the high school. Please help with this if you are available.

● **October 18:** 6pm-10pm Craft Show set up. All members are needed to work a 2 hour shift.

● **October 19:** 6 am-5pm (Craft Show is open from 9-3) BMCF 33rd Annual Fall Craft and Vendor Show! It is going to be such a fun day!

We are really looking forward to working this amazing event with ALL OF YOU!

Raffle- Michelle: Please forward any potential raffle items to Michelle. We need baskets, especially larger ones, and wrapping supplies. Please bring any items to the October meeting or bring to Michelle anytime. Also, if anyone is willing to make a few calls to ask for donations please contact Michelle.

50/50 Raffle- Deanna: The 50/50 raffle tickets are in! We have 200 tickets to sell at \$20 per ticket. Each member is required to sell at least one ticket.

Bake Sale- Kristen- All members will be responsible for baking four items this year. Craft Show patrons look forward to your delicious treats and your hard work is very appreciated. Requirements and rules will be passed out at the meeting.

Apps & Jury- Becca and Jillian: We are still seeking applications, so please continue to like and share our Facebook page. If you know any potential crafters please, please encourage them to apply. We are really looking for unique local crafters for our show. Our show is filling up quickly. We have 88 booth spaces filled and 9 new applications to review.

Lunch- Katie- McAlister's Deli will be providing lunch to our Crafters and Vendors. All orders must be submitted and paid for in advance. We are also very excited to have Bernie's Bully Dogs to provide outside food for our patrons.

Signs and Posters- Gabby and Naomi: We have 7 places for sandwich boards/banners, not including all of the schools and are just waiting on city approval. We have posters, so if you are a school ambassador, or want to be one, please pick up your poster at the meeting. School ambassadors are also responsible for putting up their school's banner. All banners will be passed out at the October meeting or you can make arrangements with Gabby or Naomi to pick them up. There will be a sign up for putting posters up at various places in the tri-city area, if you have an idea for a spot that is not on the list, please just write it in. If you sign up, please take a poster with you from the meeting. We appreciate everyone pulling together to get the signs out! If you or someone you know lives on a high traffic street, please take a yard sign. Remember the signs must not be on the parkway, they must be in your yard. Yard signs do not have the date on them please put them out on October 13. Other banners and sandwich boards will be put up

Community Pumpkin Patch: Once again, we have invited community groups to showcase a carved pumpkin. The pumpkins will be on display in the cafeteria. Each pumpkin will have a bucket in front of it for patrons to donate change into. The organizations will then get to keep the donations from their pumpkin. Seven organizations have already signed up. If anyone is active in PTO or with another charity organization in Batavia please let them know that they are invited to participate in this event. This was a very fun and creative addition to the event.

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FLOWER FUND - Katie Tharp

I'll pass around a sheet at this month's meeting to express interest in preparing meals for moms after birth, surgery, etc. Secret sis will begin

in November, after Craft Show. Flower fund is also in need of donations for the monthly meeting raffles. If you have anything to donate, please give it to Katie.

FOX TROT- Michelle Szarszo & Alexandria Jensen

We are moving forward assuming the Saturday, April 25 th date. We are working on starting to fill out all of the paperwork due this year. Note the trail paperwork cannot be turned in until Jan 1st. Thank you to communications for starting to advertise for this event to prevent race overlap - as has happened in the past

HISTORIAN- Kristin Gehrels

If you have photos from any BMCF events you can email them to historian@bataviamothersclub.org. For our big fundraising events like Craft Show, I will get a folder created in our Photos Team Drive so we can all take lots of pictures of Craft Show and share them there.

Thank you to everyone that has liked, shared, and commented on BMCF Facebook posts. All of that activity helps spread the word about BMCF and our events. Watch for upcoming posts promoting Craft Show, Coat drive, Batfest, and more!

For our events in public spaces we aren't required to get permission to take photographs of people to use on social media. We are working to get clarification on if there is any time we do need to get permission. In the meantime, if anyone is uncomfortable with photos of themselves or their children from our private BMCF member events being used in our social media posts please let me know.

HOSTESS- Naomi Krodel

Happy 1st Meeting, everyone!! Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, Oct. 2 at the library. Nov. 6th meeting at the Moose & Dec. 4th at Pal Joey's.

Never a dull moment here!! Please consider donating something from your business or something you have laying around your home for our Share & Care prize.

MEMBERSHIP- Anique Drouin

Welcome back everyone--and especially welcome to our new members joining us for the first time! Membership had an Open House for potential interested new members at the end of August. We also got the word out during the Farmer's Market and the Pie Bake Off! If you know anyone who might be interested in joining the club, please give me their information, or give them the membership email address--membership@bataviamothersclub.org

RECREATION- Cheryl Hasenjaeger

I'm looking forward to being your Recreation Chair this year!

Eight of us went to dinner and the Paramount to see Newsies on Saturday. It was a fun night!

Here are upcoming events:

- The members-only Kick Off Party is Friday, September 20th at 7pm at my house. Address is 1630 Fox Trail Drive, Batavia. BYOB and your favorite appetizer or dessert to share. Please let me know if you didn't get the evite.
- The Couples Halloween Party is Saturday, Oct 25 at 7pm at Palak's House, 3170 Wagner Ct. BYOB and an appetizer or

dessert to share. We'll have a costume contest; \$5 per person to enter and prizes to the best costumes! Evite coming soon!

- The Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 14th at 7pm. Thanks to Shannon for hosting, 1306 Meadowrue Lane. BYOB and an appetizer or dessert to share.
- Passing around sheets for anyone interested in hosting a Cabi Party with Megan Newman (in November) and PJ Bunco (in January or February).
- Paramount Theater outing on November 16th. We will be seeing Beauty and the Beast.

