



# Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation

## December 2016 Update

### FROM THE PRESIDENT – Nicole Boland

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.

Don't forget the December meeting will be at Pal Joey's. Our holiday party will immediately follow, so stick around, socialize and be merry. Please bring \$ to pitch in if you plan on enjoying food and haven't already paid at the prior meeting and a white elephant gift if you plan to participate in this fun exchange.

We have one co-chair for Craft Show (yeah Maura!) and need another! There is not a ton of work quite yet; however, there are a few details to be done right away and she can't get started until she has a co-chair and committee. The whole club has your back so don't be intimidated. New members are welcome to chair as well - we have had great success when done in the past.

### PRESIDENT ELECT – Holly Miller

I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving! I am looking forward to getting into the holiday spirit with everyone Wednesday night!

### PAST PRESIDENT – Christy Kulczyki

Next year's Craft Show committee is in need of ONE co-chair! The amazing Maura has signed up to co-chair the event again. You are a lucky lady if you are the other co-chair and get to have her as your partner. 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!!!

### WAYS AND MEANS – Deanna Modaff

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving! I wish all of you a happy holiday season!  
If you know of any possible sponsors, especially since it is close to the end of the year, please let me know!

### PHILANTHROPIC – Christine Olsen & Christina Marotta

Thank you to everyone who signed up to shop for a Christmas Family. Christmas Family gifts are due no later than Wednesday, December 7th, sooner is better! Drop off gifts with me, Christina Marotta, Nicole Boland, or Holly Miller. Please hand your gifts to one of these ladies; do not leave packages unattended. Label all packages with the child or family code number. Include all gift receipts and any gift cards with the gifts. Return all BMCF paperwork to me. Finally, be sure to include two rolls of gift wrap with your items. Please let me know if you can help bring gifts to the United Way collection event on the evening of Monday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!!!

December Share & Care is collecting for ACCESS Toy Drive. We are focusing on older kids and teens.

January Share & Care will benefit Lazarus House. View their needs list at <http://lazarushouseonline.com/needs.php>. I will contact Lazarus House regarding specific January needs closer to our next general meeting.

### COMMUNICATIONS- Kathy Evangelista

Happy Holidays! We have updated the logo for Bunco – in the next few weeks, updates will be made to the FB page and the website regarding

**QUICK CALENDAR** – see details in individual committees' sections or check the online calendar

**December 6 – Feed My Starving Children, 6 p.m.**

**December 7 – General Meeting, 7 pm, Pal Joey's**

**December 10- Christmas Party, 7 pm, Jill Lowe's**

**December 11 – Access Toy Drive, 1:15 pm**

**January 4 – General Meeting, 7 pm, Library**

**January 18 – Open House, 7-9pm, Panera**

**January 23 – New Member Outing, 6:30 pm, Noble House**

**January TBD – PJ Bunco, time, day, and place TBD**

**February 1 – General Meeting, 7 pm, Library**

**February 25 – Bunco**

**April 29 – Fox Trot**

Bunco. Please share the Bunco FB page and "invite" others to the Bunco Event on the public BMCF Facebook page once that is developed.

### BUNCO- Sarah Barrett, Heather Engelhart, & Julie Surina

Registration is coming soon for Bunco. We are working with our web guy to see if we can set-up an option that doesn't require a registration fee. Many sites do charge a fee and we had feedback last year that some people would love to be able to register without the fee. 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. There had been discussion of changing it to four rounds but we decided to keep it the same to allow for socializing. Food is confirmed through Enticing Cuisine and will consist of hot and cold appetizers. We will once again be having a snack table of sweet and salty treats. Desserts will be provided by The Party Kitchen or Miranda Skonie (still working on the details for dessert). The event will be on February 25, 2017, 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. Thanks!

### COMMUNITY RELATIONS – Eunice Turnbaugh

Thank you to everyone who helped make ornaments or helped decorate our tree at the Festival of Lights. It looks beautiful! We have tree number 6 right next to the playground so check it out if you get a chance.

Many of you have already signed up to volunteer at this year's Access Toy Drive. If you haven't signed up yet but wish to do so, use the Signup Genius link posted on Facebook or sent to you via email. You can also sign up at the December meeting. All volunteers must check in at 1:15 p.m. on Sunday, December 11th at the Old Walgreens building (next to Daddio's) on Wilson. Don't forget to wear BMCF attire and bring a Santa Hat if you have one!

### FLOWER FUND – Angel Jensen

Secret Sis is in full swing! If you are participating, please remember you should be giving your Secret Sis something every few weeks. Also, to make things easier you can bring items to the monthly meetings. Just let me know so I ensure your Secret Sis gets her gift. Please let me know if



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you have not received anything from your Secret Sis by the December meeting.

### FOX TROT- Cheryl Hasenjaeger & Kristin Geherls

April 29<sup>th</sup> is Fox Trot. Stay tuned for more details!

### HISTORIAN – Kelly DeMaria

I'm still in need of pictures. Don't forget to snap a picture or two at an event and send it to me. Thanks! ☺

### HOSTESS – Palak Coleman & Gina Buselli

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 Palak. We are still in need to Share & Care donations for the prizes. Member spotlights will be Anique Drouin and Kathy Evangelista.

### MEMBERSHIP – Jill Lowe

Thank you to all members who brought guests to meetings thus far! We have a great group of new members. Our next open house is scheduled for Wednesday January 18th 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. We will also be having a New Member Outing on Monday January 23rd - location TBD - so please hold that date. If anyone would like to sign up to be a mentor, I am looking for a few more. Please let me know at the meeting. Thanks!

### RECREATION- Kat Maggio & Naomi Krodel

Upcoming events:

- Tuesday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>: 6-7:30pm. Volunteer Opportunity at Feed My Starving Children in Aurora. Please refer to Evite.
- Saturday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>: 7 pm. Holiday party at Jill Lowe's house. Bring an accessory for the exchange and/or a grab bag gift (\$10) if you'd like. Please refer to Evite.
- Monday, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>: 6:30pm. New Member Outing Noble House in Geneva... more information to come
- In the works: Movie Night, Escape room. Need a hostess for PJ Bunco in January.