



# Batavia Mothers' Club Foundation

## September 2016 Update

### FROM THE PRESIDENT – Nicole Boland

Welcome back ladies! I'm very excited to kick off another fantastic year! It will be great to see all of you and hopefully some new faces. As always, spread the word about our awesome club to friends and have them come join us.

The Board of Directors and Committee Chairs have been busy this summer and a big THANKS to the Craft Show committee for their dedication to our first fundraiser of the year. This spectacular (required) event will take place October 15th.

There are numerous opportunities to fulfill club requirements and engage with the community, all the while having fun. So bring your excitement (and checkbook for dues) as we begin a great year!

### PRESIDENT ELECT – Holly Miller

Welcome back! We're excited to welcome our new members, and we're looking forward to a great year!

### PAST PRESIDENT – Christy Kulczycki

Welcome back BMCF members! I'm looking forward to a great year! We will be talking a lot about Craft Show for the next two months. As soon as it's over, we start planning for next year! And that means we need two volunteers to be our Craft Show Chairs, as well as people to be subcommittee chairs (Lunch, Raffle, Bake Sale, Signs and Posters, and Apps and Jury). If you are interested in any of these positions, please talk to the current chairs, any past chairs, or myself and we'll be happy to give you more details!

### TREASURER – Samantha Jackson

Time to pay your annual dues. It is that time to pay your dues. General membership is \$30 and auxiliary membership is \$25. We accept cash, which requires a *submit payment form*, or check. A check is preferred and please make sure to put dues or aux. dues in the memo area.

### PHILANTHROPIC – Christine Olsen & Christina Marotta

Welcome to another year of helping the community! We began the school year by welcoming 24 new teachers to Batavia Public Schools. Each teacher was presented with a note of welcome and a \$20 gift certificate to The Chalkboard.

It's not too early to think snow. As you start to dig out coats and other gear for cooler weather, please save those outgrown items for our annual Coat Drive. This year's event will take place Oct. 17-28. More details to come. Anyone who has, or would like to, sign up to serve as a School Ambassador will get Philanthropic credit for helping collect coats from sites around town (as well serving as a liaison between BMCF and the schools throughout the year). Look for the sign-up sheet at the September meeting.

Finally, our Share and Care for September helps Living Well Cancer Center. Their needs can be found on their website: <https://livingwellcrc.org/get-involved/wish-list>. Please bring an item or two to the September meeting or consider contributing to the pink Share & Care box as it makes its way around the room during our meeting. Thank you for all you do!!!

### COMMUNICATIONS – Kathy Evangelista

Welcome back! We've been busy getting the word out about our meetings, membership, & the upcoming Craft Show. The website and Facebook pages are running well and have lots of information available. Remember that our website has a calendar feature which lists all of our events and the location WITH A MAP! ☺ We also have meeting minutes, updates, the

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

**September 7 – General Meeting**

**September 10 – Kick Off Party – Heather's house**

**October 7 – General Meeting (Brownie Bake off at 6:30 p.m.)**

**October 10 – Basket Wrapping Party – 6 p.m.; Kristen's house**

**October 14 – Craft Show set-up**

**October 15 - Craft Show**

**October 17-28 – Coat Drive**

**October 22 – Batfest; Couples Halloween Party**

tax exempt letter, as well as a host of other things accessible online. Explore it, enjoy it! Think of anything else that would be good? Let Kathy know and we'll make it happen!

My job also includes sending out press releases and doing some advertising for our events. If you have any creative ideas or suggestions for getting the word out, I would love to hear them. If you need letterhead or envelopes, contact your committee chair or see me.

### WAYS AND MEANS – Deanna Modaff

The committee and myself are currently in the process of reaching out to possible sponsors. We have already contacted our past platinum and gold sponsors. If you can think of any potential businesses that would be interested in becoming a sponsor, please let me know. Please keep in mind that anyone can be a sponsor. Our family members and friends can always make a donation to support our club :) It is a tax write-off!

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

Mark your calendars for a tubular time! Mother's Club 3rd annual Bunco night will be Saturday, February 25, 2017. This year it will be an 80s theme; Totally Rad Bunco! More details coming as we get closer to the date.

### CRAFT SHOW – Maura Hirschauer & Gabby Loboda

A huge shout out to the Committee chairs and their committees for their ongoing hard work this summer. This show is a success because of all of you.

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Ⓜ Monday October 10, 2016: 6pm at Kristen Gehrels house- Basket Wrapping
- Ⓜ Friday October 14, 2016: 5pm-9pm CS set up: all are required to work one two hour shift but we will gladly accept more time with you!
- Ⓜ Saturday October 15, 2016: 9am-3pm ....**31ST ANNUAL CRAFT AND VENDOR SHOW!! You are required to work this show! And we can't wait!**

Any schedule conflicts need to be in writing to Maura/Gabby by 9/15/2016.

Raffle/Kirsten Gehrels: Please forward any potential raffle items to her attention. We need baskets especially larger ones and wrapping supplies (cellophane wrap, ribbon, tape). Please bring any items to the September or October meeting. 50/50 raffle tickets are in. Sell as many as you can! Each member is responsible for selling 1 ticket. They are \$20 each. We have 200 to sell.

Bake Sale/Eunice Turnbaugh: Bake sale will be in the cafetorium this year. We need to get more foot traffic and our sale is such a success, we know it'll bring more people there. We will have a cake walk. Requirements will be passed out at the September meeting.



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**Apps & Jury/Kat Maggio:** We are still seeking applications so please continue to like and share our Facebook page. There is information on there for potential crafters and vendors. So far we have sold 52 booths and still have 27 applications to Jury. The next Jury is 9/26. WOO HOO!

**Lunch/Cheryl Hasenjaeger:** Jimmy Johns will be providing lunch for crafters, club members, patrons. There will be an "unwich" option for gluten free requests.

**Signs and Posters/Melissa Mahon:** Posters and fliers will be handed out at the September meeting. A sign up will go around for lawn signs as well. We need help getting signs around the community. This can start as early as October 1, 2016.

We are still interested in getting a pumpkin vendor to entice more activity. They would be set up outside the high school. Looking into a kids' craft table, run by kids. Will be contacting retirement communities to see about busing residents and offering a group rate. Again, any schedule needs **MUST BE COMMUNICATED BY 9/15/16!** We will be figuring out the schedule and will have that at the October meeting. A Resource list is being passed around for various items for the show.

AGAIN, thank you all! And please stay in touch with your Committee Chairs! If you have any questions, concerns or suggestions, Maura and Gabby are available too!

### COMMUNITY RELATIONS – Eunice Turnbaugh

I hope everyone had a great summer! Many thanks to those of you who volunteered over the summer at the Diaper Derby during the Windmill Fest. We had a great turnout with 16 babies. Also want to thank our volunteers at the BMCF tent during this past weekend's Farmers' Market. We spread the word about our club and had a Labor Day craft project for the kids. Volunteering at the Farmers' Market is one event that fulfills your yearly community relations requirement. The other events that fulfill this requirement include working the Access Toy Drive in December and helping out with sign up at the library's Summer Reading Program in June. If you helped at the library this past June, that fulfilled your requirement for last year, not the current year.

We have more exciting events coming up! BMCF, in conjunction with Funway, will once again lead the Batfest Parade from the library to the Riverwalk on October 22. The library will host a story time at 11:30 a.m. to be followed by the parade at 11:50. Hopefully many of you will plan to participate this year and will help marshal the parade on its route from the library to the Riverwalk. Please come decked out in your BMCF gear or a Halloween costume if you wish. I will be sending out a Sign up Genius link for any volunteers

Plans for Brownie Bake Off are also in the works. The Brownie Bake Off, held to garner attention for our annual craft show and bake sale, will take place at the library from 6:30-7:00 just before our October general meeting. We need volunteers to enter their potentially prize winning brownies in the contest. We also need helpers who can arrive early that night at 6:00 to help set up, welcome the judges, and help serve up brownies and milk. Please sign up to enter your brownies in the contest or to help out at the event that evening. I will have a sign-up sheet at the meeting on Wednesday and some guidelines for our brownie bakers.

### FLOWER FUND – Angel Jensen

It's been a busy August... We had 6 new kindergarteners this year that received gift bags full of goodies for the moms and students. Katie Hulett (auxiliary) and family also welcomed a new baby girl from China. We were able to put together meals for her and her family. Kendra Walker

(auxiliary) was in the hospital so we also put together meals for her family. Remember, if you hear of someone who is in need of Flower Fund services (a little gift or a meal), let me know. I'm looking forward to a great year!

### FOX TROT – Kristin Gehrels & Cheryl Hasenjaeger

We are looking forward to planning Fox Trot this year! April 29th is the tentative date for this awesome event! More details coming soon!

### HISTORIAN – Kelly DeMaria

Please take pictures at any BMCF events that you attend and share them with me for our year-end scrapbook. Send me any pictures at [romito02@yahoo.com](mailto:romito02@yahoo.com) Thank you!

### HOSTESS – Gina Buselli & Palak Coleman

Welcome back everyone! Thank you to Auxiliary for bringing snacks to September meeting. There will be a sign-up sheet for snacks for the upcoming months. If anyone wants to donate a Share and Care gift, there will be a sign -up sheet for that as well. We have reserved the room at 6pm on October 5th to allow time for Brownie Bake-off. Yum! Member spotlight is returning again this year and we are very excited to learn more about our members. More to come next month. Thanks!

### MEMBERSHIP – Jill Lowe

We have been seeking new members over the summer with an open house on August 9th and information fliers at local events: Diaper Derby and Farmers Market! We had a total of 6 prospective members come to the open house that we hope we will see again at our first meeting in September. We will also have a Spirit Wear order form at the September meeting for new BMCF Swag! Orders will be due Sept 18th so we get them in time for Craft Show! Samples of the Spirit Wear will be at the September meeting so you can see what is available and try them on. I hope everyone had a great summer and I look forward to a very fun new year!!

### RECREATION – Naomi Krodel & Kat Maggio

We're looking forward to everyone getting to know each other better at some fun rec events this year. Thanks to Jill Lowe for hosting our Scavenger Hunt and to all those who came out for the hunt and for our movie night to see Bad Moms! Thanks also to Heather Engelhart for volunteering to host our Kick-Off Party this weekend.

Our Kick-Off Party is THIS SATURDAY, Sept 10! Fall Football theme (dress to show off your favorite team!). As usual, BYOB and a small appetizer or dessert to share. We will hold an accessory exchange for anyone who wishes to participate so clear out any jewelry, purses, scarves, etc. that you're not using and exchange for ones that are new-to-you! There will be a sign-up at the meeting as well as the Evite.

Another sign up this month is for scheduling playdates! If you are interested, please fill out the form at the meeting or, if you cannot attend the meeting, please email one of us.

Halloween Parties are coming up and we're looking for hosts!

Couples Halloween Party will be Saturday, Oct 22.

Kids' Halloween Party will be Tues Oct 25, Wed Oct 26, or Thurs, Oct 27.

We are taking reservations for party hosts, so if there are any events that you would love to host, or if you have event suggestions please let us know! Naomi ([naomijeankrodel@yahoo.com](mailto:naomijeankrodel@yahoo.com) 630-915-3615) & Kat ([kat@themaggios.com](mailto:kat@themaggios.com) 224-595-4528)