Barrington Women's Club
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OCTOBER 2026

President's Message

Dear BWC Members,

I hope you are looking forward to many more exciting and fun meetings. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 4, at 11:30 am, St. John's, Barrington. The luncheon menu will include assorted wraps, chopped salad, chips, bread and butter pickles, mandarin oranges, coffee, tea and assorted desserts. We are looking for volunteers to help set up and breakdown for upcoming luncheons. Please contact Barbara Girard at bjg@aol.com, if interested in volunteering on a rotating basis. I am also looking for a dedicated Hospitality Board member, please contact me if you are excited to volunteer for this important role at vdesirey@yahoo.com. Many hands make light work! Additionally, remember to give your regrets if you will not be eating at, or attending the November luncheon to Barbara Girard by October 28th, or as soon as possible.

Calendar Raffles will be available as you check-in. Please bring in any raffle slips and cash or checks. Our Chelo's Fundraiser netted the charitable donation fund $242. Thank you to those that participated. Stay tuned as we have some exciting new fundraising projects scheduled for the second half of the year.

We had a record number of 6 new members inducted at our last meeting; we are on a roll! Please consider recruiting new members, invite them as a guest and then ask them to join, it's that easy. Applications are available at each meeting and also available to print on our website. Membership dues are $50.

See you in November!
Victoria Desirey



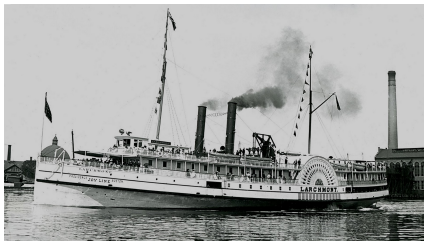
BARRINGTON WOMEN'S CLUB EXECUTIVE BOARD: 2026-2027

(seated, l-r): **Victoria Desirey**, President; **Kate Nelson**, Vice President.

(standing, l-r): **Patricia O'Neill**, 2nd Vice President; **Jane Shuman**, Assistant Treasurer; **Robin Bacon**, Treasurer; **Phyllis O'Loughlin**, Recording Secretary; **Nancy Hartwell**, Correspondent Secretary.

NOVEMBER 4th PROGRAM:

THE LARCHMONT REMEMBERED!



In 1907 the steamship Larchmont sank in the icy waters off Watch Hill after colliding with a three-masted schooner. Daniel F. Harrington, a long-time featured monthly columnist for the Providence Journal, has thoroughly researched this maritime tragedy. His riveting presentation will cover the ship, its crew, and incredible stories of survival, panic, murder, and miracles.



New Members Inducted Oct 7th

(l-r) Patricia McLaughlin, Laura Choiniere, Beverly Nichols, Paula Freedman, Tamar Abrams, Stephanie Pressman

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to new members **Arlene Miguel** of Barrington RI, sponsored by **Robin Bacon** and **Beverly Nichols** of East Providence, Rumford RI, sponsored by **Carole Skeffington**. Arlene and Beverly joined after the Member Directories were printed. Please contact **Patricia O'Neill** for Arlene and Beverly's contact information, as well as for member **Marilyn Peltier's** correct address.

Please contact Membership Chair, **Patricia O'Neill** (oneillpd@gmail.com) for New and Updated Member contact information.

SILVER CIRCLE HONOREES 2026-2027

The Club honors individuals who have been members for 25 years. This select group, known as the Silver Circle, is honored annually at our October luncheon meeting. This year's honorees are **Louise Horan** and **Pat Rochford**. Please join us in congratulating Louise and Pat!

SUNSHINE & REMEMBRANCE

Condolence cards have been sent to the families of **Carmela Carusi**, who has lost her husband Luigi Carusi, and to **Irene Salvo**, who lost her brother Luigi Carusi. A condolence card also has been sent to the family of **Betty Martini**, who passed away October 2, 2026.
Get well cards have been sent to **Jean Marie Josephson** and **Toni Thornton**. Please contact **Carol Silvia** (casilvia41@cox.net or call: 401-433-2281) to let her know of any members who may be in need of encouragement.

BRIDGE sessions are continuing! Please contact **Pat Chick** (patchick212@gmail.com) for more information.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Thank you to everyone for your continued donations! Please bring toiletries, sweaters and jackets to the Nov. 4th General Meeting. The sweaters and jackets (preferably for men and women) will be distributed to local agencies. Canned goods (up to six months post-expiration) are always welcome. The canned goods will be distributed to TapIn.

Please contact **Nancy Smalzel** (617-335-9014) for more information or if you are interested in volunteering on the Community Service Committee.

SAVE THE DATE— HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR

Sat. November 14th, 2026, 10-3 Barrington MIDDLE School

We have a fabulous vendor roster for our Annual Holiday Craft Fair. Hoping to see a good showing of member support!

Volunteers are needed for the Holiday Craft Fair. Please contact **JB Boyle**, Ways & Means Chair, by phone or text 941.928.8456.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE NEWS FLASH!

Lunch & Meeting to Follow the Holiday Boutique!

Date: Wed. 12/2, 10:30-12:15pm (Set Up Volunteers: please arrive at 8am; Volunteers Working Tables, please arrive by 10:10am).

Drop Off Priced Items and Gift Baskets: Tues. 12/1, 10:30-12:15pm at St. John's Lobby. Please include a card with Gift Baskets to identify Contents and your name.

Drop Off Labeled Baked Goods (write "NUTS" if in recipe) and Raffles: Wed. 12/2.

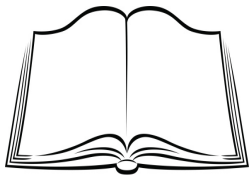
Bring your own bags please!

Raffle tickets sold day of Boutique: 3/$5.00 or 7/$10.00.

If unable to donate items, please consider making a monetary donation by Wed. 11/4. Please turn in restaurant certificates by Wed. 11/4 meeting.

Thank you for your support!

Susan Ruggieri (401) 639-7424, **Carole Skeffington** (401) 439-1711.



BOOK CLUB meets the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1:00pm, at the Peck Center. The November 12th book is: **Olga Dies Dreaming** by **Xochitl Gonzales**. The December 10th book is: **A Founding Mother: A Novel of Abigail Adams** by **Stephanie Dray** & **Laura Kamoie**.

Contact **Robin Bacon**, robinplus@aol.com for more information.

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BWC Officers for 2026-2027

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Dec. 2, 2026