



Barrington Women's Club  
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***barringtonwomensclubri.org***  
September 2025

## President's Message

Dear Members,

Welcome back to our 91<sup>ST</sup> year of the BWC! Your board has been busy over the summer. We held a "Coffee Gathering" for new members, bringing them up to speed on all things BWC!

Our first board meeting of the year was held in August. Here are some highlights:

- BWC website has been updated and looks great. [barringtonwomensclubri.org](http://barringtonwomensclubri.org). Please visit the site before the October meeting for updates and a great gallery of photos!
- November 15 Craft Fair planning is well underway which is bigger and better this year! Volunteers needed.
- December 3 Holiday Boutique planning is also underway. This event is a great way to jump-start your holiday shopping and help the club! Volunteers needed.
- We currently have 82 members. Growing membership is a huge priority for us. Visit our website for new member applications and share. Two new members will be inducted at the October meeting, Jean Marie Josephson and Angelika Baker. Please join us to celebrate the Silver Service induction of Pauline Woods.
- April 22 the popular Fashion Show is combined with the Annual Spring Luncheon for an exciting program! Models and volunteers needed.

I look forward seeing you all at the October General Meeting. The meeting starts at noon, followed by our "Getting to Know You" Program. You will be amazed by some of our highlighted members and enjoy getting to know everyone. Come early and grab a coffee before the meeting begins!

Victoria Desirey, President

### 2025-2026 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Semi-hot off the presses, the 2025-2026 BWC Membership Directory will be available at the October 1st meeting. During the summer, the hot team of **Robin Bacon, Phyllis O'Loughlin**, and **Jan Wenzel** managed to add, delete, change, check, and proofread all the entries. Keep the directory nearby. Not only does it contain club information and the important dates, it also provides all your old and new friends' contact information.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to new members **Jean Marie Josephson**, sponsored by Nancy Hartwell, and **Angelika Baker**, sponsored by Nancy McBride. Jean Marie and Angelika, each of Barrington, RI, will be installed at the October meeting.

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

## SUNSHINE

### THINKING OF YOU:

Cards have been sent to **Carmela Carusi** and **Patricia Page**. Each is going through a difficult time in their lives and we wish them well.

### GET WELL:

A get well card has been sent to each of the following members:

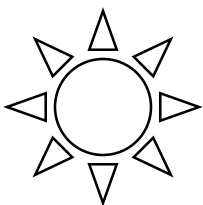
**Karen Samson** broke her foot and is recovering at home.

**Nancy Melies** had surgery and is at home recovering.

**Toni Thornton** had knee surgery.

Please contact **Carol Silvia** (casilvia41@cox.net or call: 401-433-2281) to let her know of any members who may be ill or otherwise in need of encouragement.

**Bridge:** Details coming soon for our regular bridge sessions that will resume in October. Please contact **Pat Chick** (patchick212@gmail.com) for more information.



**Book Club** meets at the Peck Center the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1:00pm.

At the September 11th meeting, we will have a brief, organizational meeting to pick up the October book selection and discuss possible future Book Club in a Bag selections.

The October 9th book selection is **Remarkably Bright Creatures** by **Shelby Van Pelt**.

The November 13th book selection is **James** by **Percival Everett**.

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

## Lunch Price News

To address food safety concerns and logistical challenges, last year we switched to a catered lunch rather than have club members prepare food. This was a success, but to offset increased costs, the lunch price will be \$10, starting in October. Please plan accordingly.

## Classified – Positions Needed to Fill

- > Community Service Chair/Cochair & Committee 2025-2026. Plan and execute community outreach activities.
- > Photography Committee 2025-2026. Committee members take photos at events. Current Chair, **Kate Nelson**, coordinates photo assignments, edits and distributes the best images to Publicity, and Social Media Chairs.
- > Facebook-Instagram Chair/Cochair and Committee 2025-2026. Create sites and manage content.
- > Program Chair/Cochair 2026-2027. Procure, schedule, provide program descriptions, and present programs at meetings. Current chair, **Pat Chick**, provides assistance.
- > Member Directory Chair 2026-2027. Designs, compiles and publishes annual membership directory. Current committee members provide assistance.

Contact Vice President **Mary Ann Ferrell** if interested in any of these positions.

## SAVE THE DATE! HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR Saturday November 15, 2025

Volunteers are needed for the Holiday Craft Fair, November 15th 10-3 at Barrington High School. Please contact **JB Boyle**, Ways & Means Chair, by phone or text 941.928.8456.

## SAVE THE DATE! HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE Wednesday December 3, 2025, 10:30-12:15

Calling All Elves!

Start saving and pricing your donations—handmade items, jewelry, vintage goods, home décor, etc. Sign up sheet coming in October!

Thank you! **Susan Ruggieri**, **Carole Skeffington** and Committee.

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**BWC Officers for 2025-2027**

VICTORIA DESIREY, President  
MARY ANN FERRELL, Vice President  
PATRICIA O'NEILL, 2nd Vice President  
PHYLLIS O'LOUGHLIN, Recording Secretary  
NANCY HARTWELL, Correspondent Secretary  
ROBIN BACON, Treasurer  
LINDA DEL GRECO, Assistant Treasurer

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and  
**HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE!**  
**12/3/25**