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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT **JO HAYDEN**



Greetings beautiful Women of the Brandermill Woman's Club:

What a wonderful meeting we had on March 18th! Those of you who couldn't be there sure missed a treat! Our scholarship committee collected information from all members regarding their special trainings/education, and work and hobby passions. During each meeting, a few ladies will be invited

(by random drawing) to share a little bit about themselves. How fun it is to learn who we are as a group as we realize that we are links in the BWC chain! We, of course, celebrated our 47th anniversary with CAKE and a reading of a brief history of the BWC by Pam Messner. We were also treated to a presentation by Eva Atkinson on wool spinning and felting; it was entertaining, educational and fun! Everyone at the meeting also received

information regarding our Non-Event fundraiser; the information will be mailed to those who missed out on the meeting; if you have questions about it, please ask. After the meeting, about 15 of us enjoyed 'the meeting after the

MEETING REMINDERS:

MEETINGS BEGIN AT 10:30: NO ADMITTANCE BEFORE 10:00

BRING YOUR CHECKBOOK TO ALL MEETINGS!

You may want to sign up for Daytrippers outings (pay when you sign up) or other activities.

PLEASE DON'T PARK IN THE FIRST TWO ROWS (directly in front of the church);

those rows are for preschool pickups.

Don't forget your cash for raffle tickets!

MEETING:

BRANDERMILL CHURCH 4500 MILLRIDGE PARKWAY MIDLOTHIAN, VA 23112

BRANDERMILLWOMANSCLUB.COM

SCHEDULE FOR 2024-2025:

Sept 18

Oct 16

Nov 20

Dec 18 (Luncheon)

Jan 15

Feb 19

March 19

April 16

May 21 (Luncheon)

meeting' with a wonderful lunch at Mi Jalisco and lots of laughs and friendship building! All are welcome; please participate! I have heard a number of misnomers regarding what is required to join the BWC and I will share a couple with you! You do not need to live in Brandermill to be a member of our club; you do not have to be retired to be a member of our club (what is 'retired' anyway???) and you do not have to be sponsored into the club (what does that mean??). Please encourage your friends and even the lady in front of you in the check out line at Wegman's, Kroger, Publix or Food Lion to visit our meeting and consider joining us! I do have an update on our April 8 th Daytripper event to Agecroft Hall; all who wish to carpool can meet at Market Square that morning at 9:15 am. Please contact Yvonne Ricciardelli with your intention at 804-239-5161. I look forward to seeing you at our April Meeting, April 16th. If you have not yet signed up for our May Luncheon at Amber Grove, please mark your calendars for 5/21/25; the cost is only \$40.00 for members and guests and includes luncheon, fun, friends, entertainment and wine.

Cheers.

Jo

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MEMBERSHIP

CYNDY BALL & KAREN OLSON

BWC has 101 members! Continue to bring guests to our meetings. Most like us and decide to join. Remember to get those lanyards out of your cars and bring them with you! Be sure to speak to the ladies with pink name tags. They are new members so please welcome them to our club. Thank you.

Questions?

Cyndy Ball: curly5000@gmail.com -or- 804-307-7227

Karen Olson: mamasitaolson@gmail.com -or-804-517-0850

SCHOLARSHIPS

PAM MESSNER & SUSAN MORALES

Hello from the scholarship committee. We hope you enjoyed the first career senses last month. There is a lot more to learn about the awesome women in the BWC. Thank you to Millie Campbell, Kathy Gilchrist, Deb O'Dell, Barbara Teats, and Debbie Voelkel for sharing your vocational experiences with us. More names will be called in April and May meetings. Art and crafts ranked high in hobby/interests of these five retirees. Thank you, ladies!

The BWC so much appreciates the local businesses supporting the scholarship committee. Please return the favor, take a friend and patronize these friendly retail owner/corporate shops.

BINGO FUNDRAISER- please join us April 24th, 3:00-5:00PM at the Brandermill Golf and Country Club for the annual scholarship fundraiser. We need your support in reaching the monetary goal of \$1000 each to three Clover Hill High School students for their 2024-2025 academic year. Bring a friend:)

Questions?

Pam Messner: pwm516@verizon.net -or- 804-512-5811 Susan Morales: talltxrose@gmail.com -or- 410-599-6343

PROGRAMS

JENN INMAN

Please reach out to Jenn Inman to sign up for our April meeting Makers Market Craft Show. Are you a crafter? An artist? We'd love to see your creations and support you by purchasing them. You can reach out to Jenn at 804.833.7002.

Questions?

Jennifer Inman: jennifersellsrva@gmail.com -or-804-833- 7002

DAYTRIPPERS

YVONNE RICCARDELLI

April 8th, 2025 | Tuesday at 10AM Agecroft Hill & Gardens Five Hundred Years of Fascinating



While oceans may separate England and Virginia, Agecroft Hall traveled on ships, trains, and a little luck from Lancashire to be reconstructed overlooking the banks of the James River in the 1920s. Agecroft now exhibits centuries of English daily life as a manor home that grew and evolved from the 16th century.

Guided tour of both Home and Gardens (1 hr for each) \$22.

Meet at The Agecroft Hills, Address: 4305 Sulgrave Rd, Richmond, VA 23221 at 9:50 am

If you're signed up for this fantastic tour and would like to carpool to Agecroft Hall, please meet us promptly at Market Square at 9:15 The Connection Page 3 of 3

May 8th, 2025 | Thursday at 11AM-12:30PM

Art Factory



To register, use the registration link - it is set up just for BWC! Or you can pay when you get there to save time. \$25 plus tax... includes a beverage of coffee/tea. 11 x 14 inch Canvas. Lunch at Sergios!

Questions? Yvonne Riccardelli: ym.ricci@gmail.com -or-804-239-5161

BWC ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK

-50TH ANNIVERSARY OF BWC 2027-

Greetings BWC members! Please send in those wonderful recipes from ALL of you wonderful BWC members that are fantastic cooks... our anniversary cookbook is in the works and you can bring a paper copy to the BWC general meetings OR you can mail them to me at my home address or my email:

June Keller 5902 Gates Mill Place Midlothian, VA. 23112

Email: <u>junetaylorkeller@gmail.com</u>

We need appetizers, desserts, main dishes, side dishes, salads, breads and beverage (punches, etc.). Check out our website that we are using to publish the cookbook: simplycookbooks.com

Take care and keep those recipes coming!

MISSION... Our mission is to encourage friendships, social activities, and solidarity in our community. We promote a common interest in civic, cultural, educational and social welfare of the community.

ATTACHMENTS

ACTIVITIES

OUR CLUB WEBSITE IS OFFICIALLY UP AND RUNNING! CHECK IT OUT AT

https://brandermillwomansclub.com

BWC Executive Board 2024 / 2025

President: Jo Hayden

VP of Programs: Jenn Inman

VP of Membership: Cyndy Ball and Karen

Olson

Treasurer: Lori Hobbs Secretary: June Keller

President Emerita: Deb O'Dell

Appointed Positions 2024 / 2025

Activities: Diane Masters
Publicity: Janet Russell
Connection: Erin Melton
Email: HELP Wanted!

Parliamentarian: Susan Basl

Scholarship: Pam Messner and Susan Morales

Hospitality: Mary Ann Owens

Sunshine: Marie Repp Website: HELP Wanted!

Community Outreach: Michelle Scott

Ways & Means: Marty Laughon

BWC ACTIVITY GROUPS		CHAIR: DIANE MASTERS (646-228-7383 / mastersdiane@hotmail.com)				
GROUP	DAYS	TIME	LOCATION	CHAIR	PHONE	EMAIL
BOOKIES 1	3rd Fri	10:00 am	Woodlake United Methodist Church	Beverly Carlson Anita Elmore	804-739-2539	carlsonew@gmail.com
BOOKIES 2	3rd Tues	TBA	TBA	Mary Guarneri	443-803-3456	Mtg1250@gmail.com
BOWLING	4th Fri	11:00 am	Uptown Alley	Diane Masters	646-228-7383	mastersdiane@hotmail.com
BUNCO	3rd Wed	6:30 pm	Diane's house	Diane Masters	646-228-7383	mastersdiane@hotmail.com
DAYTRIPPERS	TBA	TBA	TBA	Yvonne Ricciardelli	804-239-5161	ym.ricci@gmail.com
DOMINOES 1	2nd Tues	12:30 pm	Danielle's Home	Danielle Jimerson	804-314-9331	Daniellejimerson42@gmail. com
FUN BRIDGE	2nd & 4th Wed	12:30 pm	BCC	Diane Masters	646-228-7383	mastersdiane@hotmail.com
HAND & FOOT	1st Tues	12:30 pm	Susan's home	Susan Basl	781-572-2523	Srbasl31@gmail.com
MAHJONGG	1st Mon & 3rd Thurs	12:30 pm	Diane's home & BCC	Diane Masters	646-228-7383	mastersdiane@hotmail.com
MOVIE CRITICS	4th Tues	TBA	TBA	Yvonne Ricciardelli	804-239-5161	ym.ricci@gmail.com
RUMMIKUB	2nd Fri	12:30 pm	Marty's Home	Marty Laughon	804-349-5612	melaughon@aol.com

Brandermill Woman's Club 2024-2025 Programs				
May 21st	Spring Luncheon 11:30 at Amber Grove			



5 Year Anniversary Celebration

Wednesday, April 30th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

We're celebrating 5 years of service to seniors!

Together, we'll enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, tasty libations, live music, and of course, great company.

Business/cocktail dress is strongly encouraged.

RSVP to Bo Baker at 804.924.9504 or bbaker@inspiritseniorliving.com by Friday, April 25th. We hope to see you there!





4PM - 8PM

SATURDAY, MAY 3

9AM - 1PM

Bon Air United Methodist Church 1645 Buford Road, Richmond, VA 23235

> All proceeds benefit Change the World RVA, a foundation helping homeless students succeed in high school, college, and life.



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CHANGE THE WORLD RVA

PO BOX 3562 | RICHMOND, VA 23235

Please donate your gently used purses, jewelry, and women's accessories to Another Woman's Treasure, a fun, 2-day sale to benefit Change the World RVA. We help Richmond high school and college students who are facing homelessness. Drop off your donations at the locations listed below, or contact us to arrange a pick up. Please invite friends, neighbors, family and others to donate, too! And mark your calendars for shopping on May 2nd & 3rd, 2025 with us!

Another Woman's Treasure Donation Drop Off Sites

Papeterie Fine Stationery & Gifts 3048 Stony Point Road (near Trader Joe's)

Quilting Adventures, 6943 Lakeside Ave.

Bon Air United Methodist Church, 1645 Buford Rd.

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