



*Bringing together women so they can exercise their energies and abilities to benefit themselves and their community by promoting civic, cultural, educational and social welfare.*

## December 2011 Newsletter

### General Membership Meeting:

#### **General Membership Meeting:**

Hope you can join us for our General Membership Meeting. Happy half-hour starts at 7:30 and the meeting begins at 8:00. Lenore Kagen will provide sweet treats and Helene Qualman will provide something savory for this meeting.

**What:** General Membership Meeting  
**When:** Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Carol Cross', 10095 Vernon

### Upcoming Events & Fundraisers:

#### **Holiday Cookie Exchange:**

Join us for an evening of cookies and wine. Bring 3½ dozen cookies (3 dozen for exchange and ½ dozen for nibbling). Don't forget to bring a container to bring home your cookies!



**What:** Holiday Cookie Exchange  
**Chair:** Kim Hurley  
**When:** Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Kim Hurley's, 10514 Borgman  
**RSVP:** [robandkimhurley@msn.com](mailto:robandkimhurley@msn.com)

#### **GNO:**

Meet at Brenda's house for some pre-trip appetizers and drinks. We'll board the bus for a magical mystery tour, plus an opportunity to indulge in more drinks and snacks, then return to Brenda's by 10:00 and enjoy some post trip drinks and sweets.

**What:** Mystery Bus Tour  
**Chair:** Brenda McLaren  
**When:** Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-11:00 p.m.  
**Where:** 13342 Hart  
**Cost:** \$30  
**RSVP:** [blmclaren@gmail.com](mailto:blmclaren@gmail.com)

### Quarterly Collection:

We're collecting coats or cash/check donations that we will use to purchase coats for the Capuchins. We are most in need of boys and girls coats in sizes 12-18.

- What:** Coat Drive for the Capuchins  
**Chairs:** Theresa MacDonald & Lenore Kagen  
**When:** November 1<sup>st</sup> through December 18<sup>th</sup>  
**Where:** Drop off your coats in the bin on the front porch or cash/check donations in the mail slot at 26510 Dundee Road. Make checks payable to HWWL or Cash.

### Save the Date:

#### **Holiday Brunch:**

Mark your calendars now for the annual holiday brunch potluck. Your spouse or significant other is welcome to join this tasty event.

- What:** Holiday Brunch  
**Chairs:** Dana Blasey & Jill Plamper  
**When:** Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Tina Deeds, 10555 Kingston

#### **Bowling Fundraiser:**

Save the date for this HWWL tradition. This event is open to families. Sign up early - this event always sells out!

- What:** Bowling Fundraiser  
**Chairs:** TBD  
**When:** Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-3:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Bowlero, 4209 Coolidge, Royal Oak  
**Cost:** \$20 adults and \$10 children through January 22<sup>nd</sup>  
\$25 adults and \$15 children January 23<sup>rd</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>  
*Includes two hours of bowling, shoe rental, pizza, soft drinks and prizes for kids.*  
**RSVP:** [susanbrice@yahoo.com](mailto:susanbrice@yahoo.com)



#### **Euchre Night:**

Start collecting your quarters now because you're going to need them for this event! More details to follow...

- What:** Euchre Night  
**Chairs:** Judy Bell and Karla Scanlan  
**When:** Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Where:** TBD

#### **Huntington Woods Men's Club Service Auction:**

- What:** Men's Club Auction  
**When:** Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>  
**Where:** Huntington Woods Recreation Center  
Once again HWWL has lots of great gifts planned for the Service Auction! Please

consider chairing or contributing to one of these items.

- Book Basket – *Consider donating new or gently used books.*
- Pool Package – *Purchase pool themed items such as towels, beach bag,...*
- Specialty Gift Basket – *TBD*
- Dessert of the Month – *We'll need volunteers to bake home baked goods.*
- Casino Night Appetizers – *Volunteers will make appetizers for this event.*
- Discounted HWWL Membership – *Spread the word to help recruit new members.*

### **Home Tour:**

This one is a ways off, but book it in your calendar now! We'll need a lot of support for this event, including docents and attendees. We will provide additional details at upcoming General Membership Meetings. Please let us know what committee you're interested in joining.

**What:** Huntington Woods Home Tour

**Chairs:** Cathy Topf (Homes); Tina Deeds & Linda Batcheller (Docents); Theresa MacDonald (Program); Jackie Lupton (PR)

**When:** Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012

### **Past Events & Fundraisers:**

#### **Shop for a Cause:**

The weather was beautiful and the event was truly a success, thanks to our collective efforts! Special thanks to Susan Brice (Event Chair), Megan Pugh (Vendors), Linda Batcheller (Homes), Jackie Lupton (PR), Cynthia Sullivan (Hospitality) and Jennifer Bielecki (Site Set Up) for your leadership in coordinating this. We'd also like to thank all who opened up their homes for the vendors, those who brought sweet and savory goods, the docents, and all who attended this event and spread the word. Another great success story with great participation!



#### **Adopt-a-Garden Fall Clean Up:**

Thank you to Andrea Sperl for coordinating the clean-up of our gardens and to all who attended. The turnout was great and working together, the team finished in record time, which allowed for more time to enjoy some treats at Andrea's place!

#### **Thanksgiving Baskets:**

Our baskets runneth over with lots of goodies to help two local families in need this holiday season. The generosity of our League is overwhelming! Thank you to all who donated to this worthy cause and to Carol Cross for chairing this event!

#### **Girls Night Out – Flower Arranging:**

No doubt if you participated in this GNO, your Thanksgiving table looked smashing! Thanks to Lorrie Boone for arranging this event! If you weren't able to make it to this event, the feedback was phenomenal, so we may be back...

## Ongoing:

### **Book Club:**

**What:** Book Club Meeting  
**When:** Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
**Where:** Julie Buccalo's, 25529 Parkwood  
**RSVP:** [buccalo@wowway.com](mailto:buccalo@wowway.com)

This month the book club will select their books for the upcoming year. If you've ever considered joining book club, this is the meeting to attend! Please bring a wrapped book for the annual book exchange.

### **Knitting Group:**

Attention all knitters, the Knitting Group meets on the first Monday of the month. Please contact Tina with any questions. New knitters welcome!



**What:** Knitting Group  
**When:** Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-9:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Tina Deeds, 10555 Kingston  
**RSVP:** Tina at [indeed@wideopenwest.com](mailto:indeed@wideopenwest.com)

## Happy Birthday:



Do I smell  
birthday  
cake?

### **Happy Birthday to those celebrating in December!**

Susan Brice	December 1
Karla Scanlan	December 4
Juliann Snavely	December 7
Carolyn Otto	December 16
Andrea Sperl	December 18
Cassie Papadopoulos	December 21
Brenda McLaren	December 24
Rose Ritter	December 24

*We want to help you celebrate your birthday, so please double check the roster to make sure we have your birthday listed correctly. Contact Dana Blasey at [Dana.Blasey@us.henkel.com](mailto:Dana.Blasey@us.henkel.com) or Deb Stocki at [debstocki@gmail.com](mailto:debstocki@gmail.com) for additions or corrections.*

## Survey:

Thank you to all who participated in our survey! If you didn't have a chance to respond, **the survey will remain open through December 16<sup>th</sup>** - please take some time to share your opinions with us! We will share the results of the survey at the December General Membership meeting and will use your input to plan future activities for the League.

## Funds Distribution:

As part of our ongoing Funds Distribution, money has been earmarked to support our members' charitable endeavors. When participating in an event such as the March of Dimes Walk or the MS Bike-a-Thon, the HWWL will donate \$50 to events with no minimum donation fee or 10% up to \$150 if the event requires a minimum donation to participate. (i.e. Komen 3-Day). For additional information, please contact the HWWL Treasurer at [treasurer@hwwl.org](mailto:treasurer@hwwl.org)



## Website:

We're happy to announce that we've launched a new website. Please check us out at [www.hwwl.org](http://www.hwwl.org). This is an interim solution for us, and due to limitations on setting up a members-only section, we have not loaded our roster or treasurers reports on the site. Stay tuned for further upgrades! In the mean time, if you need any assistance accessing something from the website, please contact a Board Member.

## Facebook & Twitter:

HWWL has joined the social media bandwagon. Now it's your turn!



We like you...won't you like us? Please like our Facebook fan page. Use a QR reader on your mobile phone to scan this image to like us on Facebook or find us at "Huntington Woods Women's League". If you don't already have a Facebook account, it's time to join in!



Follow us on Twitter! Use a QR reader on your mobile phone to scan this image to follow our tweets. If you don't already have a Twitter account, you will need to set one up. You can also find us on Twitter at "HWWL\_MI" and follow us.



## HWWL Board Meeting:

- Who:**
- President – Judy Bell ([president@hwwl.org](mailto:president@hwwl.org))
  - Past President – Linda Batcheller ([pastpresident@hwwl.org](mailto:pastpresident@hwwl.org))
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  - V.P. External – Susan Brice ([externalvp@hwwl.org](mailto:externalvp@hwwl.org))
  - General Membership Representative– Dana Blasey ([membership@hwwl.org](mailto:membership@hwwl.org))
  - Recording Secretary – Kim Hurley ([recording@hwwl.org](mailto:recording@hwwl.org))
  - Corresponding Secretary – Lorrie Boone ([corresponding@hwwl.org](mailto:corresponding@hwwl.org))
  - Treasurer – Rachel Stafeil ([treasurer@hwwl.org](mailto:treasurer@hwwl.org))
  - Newsletter Editor – Deb Stocki ([debstocki@gmail.com](mailto:debstocki@gmail.com))

**What:** HWWL Board Meeting

**When:** Wednesday, December 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

**Where:** Dana Blasey's, 26454 Humber

*If you have any items you'd like the board to address, please contact a board member.*