

Widows or Widowers Club

Mission Statement: Offering friendship to those who have lost a spouse
Meetings are held at American Legion Post #449, 3245 N. 124th Street, Brookfield

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President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Christmas is almost here and many of us will enjoy being with family members which is the best part of Christmas. You may not get this newsletter until Monday December 13th after our General Meeting on the 8th.

The Christmas Dinner was on December 17th and the hosts, Lisa Clapsaddle and Joy Imms, planned a really nice evening for those who attended. Hopefully, the tradition will continue.

The membership voted to hold two WOW afternoon meetings in January and February. They will be held from 1:00 – 3:30 pm at the American Legion Post 449. Entertainment is planned. The Board and members hope this will make it easier for members to attend on those two winter months.

I would like volunteers to join a couple of committees. One is the Phone Tree committee. This committee calls all members when there is a meeting cancelation. If we have enough volunteers, each person would call about 10 members.

We thank Arlene Damrau for taking responsibility for making sure we have hosts for all 11 Fish Fries

Over many years. A member volunteered to fill this role after our General Meeting on December 8th. I want to thank JoAnn Stabenfeldt for taking on this role. Please fill out the form at the bottom of the Event Page on our website to submit your Fish Fry information to be published in the Newsletter and on our website. Joanne can be reached at: 262-542-1682 if you have any questions. and to inform her of the month you would like to host. Thank you, JoAnn and all those who host. It is a great service to our club.

The Board and Mary Ann Alberti-Kopps, chair of the Sunshine and Shadow Committee, asks that you inform her of anyone who would like the club to know they are sick or were hospitalized. All messages of a member's passing will go through this Committee.

The Board wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year! We made many new friends this year! I personally want to thank all the members who have sponsored events or hosted activities this year. Greeting and making friends at these events is what we are all about.

—Mary Sherman

January 2022 Events & Activities

Bowling

Tuesday, January 4 | 12:30 PM

Bowling at the New Berlin Ale House, 16000 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin. Meet at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 for three games. If you have questions, email Tim at tim.mellema@icloud.com or call him at 262-722-0295. Please let Tim know if you are planning to participate by Monday, December 27. *(Bowling is held the first and third Tuesday every month at 1:00 p.m.)*

Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 5 | 1:00 PM

Brookfield Highlands, 21075 George Hunt Circle, Apt 1530, Building 15, Waukesha. *(Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 1:00 p.m.)*

Breakfast Together

Tuesday, January 11 | 10:00 AM

Mimosa, 275 Regency Court, Brookfield. Hosted by Joy. If you have questions please contact Joy at (262) 391-3603. No reservations necessary. *(Breakfast Together at the Brookfield Mimosa location is every second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.)*

General Meeting

Wednesday, January 12 | 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

American Legion Post #449, 3245 N. 124th Street, Brookfield. Entertainment immediately following the meeting will be provided by [Roger Boll](#). For fun: wear sparkly clothing to the meeting to bring in 2022. *(The General Meeting is held every second Wednesday of the month and is open to all WOW new and current members.)*

Breakfast Together

Tuesday, January 18 | 10:00 AM

Mimosa, 9405 South 27th Street, Franklin. No reservations required. Hosted by Tim Mellema. Please contact him with any questions at 262-722-0295. *(Breakfast Together at the Franklin Mimosa location is every third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.)*

Bowling

Tuesday, January 18 | 12:30 PM

Bowling at the New Berlin Ale House, 16000 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin. Meet at 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 for three games. If you have questions, email Tim at tim.mellema@icloud.com or call him at 262-722-0295. Please let Tim know if you are planning to participate by Monday, January 10. *(Bowling is held the first and third Tuesday every month at 1:00 p.m.)*

Cards

Thursday, January 20 | 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

HA Todd Jr. American Legion Post 537, 9159 W. Beloit Road, Milwaukee. Contact your hosts Bob at (262) 392-9955 or Joanne at (414) 427-9324 with any questions. *(Cards are played every third Thursday of the month from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The cost \$3.00.)*

PIZZA NIGHT

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 | 4:30 PM

January 25 & March 29

Pistol Pete's Neighborhood Grill, 16755 W. Lisbon Rd., Brookfield.
February 22 & April 26: Filippo's at 6915 W Lincoln Ave., West Allis.
Pizza ordered will determine price. Reservations requested. Contact Kathy at (414) 659-4640 or Ken at (414) 339-4396. *(Pizza Night is the last Tuesday of every month at 4:30 p.m. The location alternates every month between Pistol Pete's Neighborhood Grill and Filippo's. Cost is determined by the amount of pizza ordered.)*

NEWSLETTER

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Event and Article Submissions

Please submit event details and articles to the newsletter editor by the Monday before the monthly General Meeting to be included in the next newsletter.

Submission deadline for the February issue is January 10, 2022.

January 2022 Events & Activities Cont'd

Book Club

Thursday, January 27 | 1:00 PM

"[The Lake of Dreams](#)" by [Kim Edwards](#) will be discussed. Nacny Yets is your host. Meet at 3815 Birchwood, Milwaukee at 1:00 p.m. (The Book Club meets every fourth Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. A different book is selected for each month. During the Summer the Book Club meets at Wisconsin Avenue Park. Please contact Cathy Steiner with any questions at (414) 531-3336.)

January Birthday Celebrations

January 3
Elizabeth Clapsaddle

January 26
Brenda Nizer-Jefferson

January 8
Bob Ziemer

When you see one of these WOW members, wish them a HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January 10
Art Plautz



January 18
Judy Osorio

January 19
Robert Moravec
Corky Plewa

COVID MESSAGE to WOW members and guests.

The WOW Board will have masks available at our meetings. If masks are required at our meeting location, masks will be required when you sign in. If not required, it is an individual decision. As far as we know, masks are not required at American Legion Post 449. Data now shows that those who have had COVID -19 are not necessarily immune to the new variant. We encourage all our members and guests to get vaccinated as our government is requesting.

—Thank you.



Sunshine and Shadow

Our member, [Phyllis Weis](#) who underwent surgery at an earlier date, had a recent setback. She had to have a second surgery on her leg due to an infection. She will be staying at her daughter's home after surgery for rehab to regain her mobility and strength in her leg. A card can be sent to Phyllis' home as her daughter will be picking up her mail.

A long-time member [John Rogula](#) passed away November 10, 2021. John was involved in many activities throughout his membership.

If you need any further information, please contact Mary Ann at 262-782-3104.

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WOW Annual Charitable Event

–Thank you!

The caring generosity of the WOW Club membership is overwhelming! Members raised **\$1,220.00** for this year's charity event. There were two shopping trips and six baskets of toys purchased by Mary Anne Alberti Kopps, Kathy Oleson, and Sandy Gast. There were scooters, sleds, games, dolls, trucks, cars, books, balls--you name it, we bought it!! The toys were purchased at Farm and Fleet and will be distributed through a local clearing house. Farm and Fleet also matches toys bought up to \$200,000. Wish we could all be there to see the joy, but our hearts should be full by what we have accomplished. The kids thank you and I thank you for giving us the pleasure of all the fun shopping and compliments received in the store by customers and staff.

*—Sandy Gast
WOW Treasurer*