

Widows or Widowers Club

Mission Statement: Offering friendship to those who have lost a spouse

Meetings are held at the American Legion Post #449

www.milwowclub.info

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President's Message

Hello everyone!

It's nice to be back in town. My thanks go to Tom for leading the Board Meeting while I was gone. Thanks to Mary Ann for offering us a place to meet in her building. We continue to grow our membership which is good. I have heard from several people about how professional our Newsletter is, and we thank our editor for organizing and proofreading our Newsletter. When you submit the website event form, you automatically receive a response. The Welcoming Committee reports that the Newsletter is a wonderful handout for new people and that it "makes us look good." I'm impressed with how our members reach out to new members at events.

We've been very busy this past month welcoming many new members and helping integrate them, and new guests, into our activities. Thanks to all our long-time members who have opened their hearts to our newest members! Your Board of Directors continues to meet once a month prior to the General Meeting. The location search is ongoing as the Board decided to consider American Legion Post 449 as a possible location. A big

thanks goes out to Sharon Pauley for editing the Newsletter and to her son, Robert Kopchinski, for designing it. I'm so appreciative that we had a newcomer willing to take this on. There is a lot of talent in our organization. We have a lot to be proud of! Please know you are appreciated!

I want to let you know that I will not be on the nomination list for President in February. Generally, Board positions are a one-year term, and I will have served for three years in March. We have had a lot of new things in the last years, including a new location and holding Board meetings even in parks during the Covid shutdown. It has been an honor to work with all the members and especially a talented Board that has supported me so much. You are never alone in this position as you have the Board behind you. If you are at all interested and have even a little experience in holding meetings whether at your church, library, schools etc., I hope you will consider talking to a Board member and coming to a Board Meeting to see how things are done. I will remain a Board member and will be happy to assist the new president in any way I can. If you would like to *continued on page 2*

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serve in this manner, I want you to know it is a very rewarding work.

Please enjoy some of the events coming up in August and plan to participate. It seems like there is always an event which you might like to participate in. Check out your newsletter for the events and

dates. Check out our website for additional information. I want to thank all those who are sponsoring an event, especially new members who have stepped up and long-term members who continue to volunteer. There will always be a need for volunteers to host events. Your generosity of time is well appreciated!

— Mary Sherman

August 2022 Events & Activities

Breakfast Together

Monday, August 1 | 10:00 AM - Noon

Maxim's Family Restaurant, 18025 W. Capitol Dr, Brookfield.

Hosted by Joy Imms (262-391-3606) and Lisa Clapsaddle (262-278-3012).

Please let Joy or Lisa know if you are planning to participate.

(Breakfast Together at Maxim's Brookfield is every first Monday of the month at 10:00 a.m.)

Mini Golf

Monday, August 1 | 12:30 PM

Moorland Road Golf Center 5900 S Moorland Rd, New Berlin.

Meet at 12:30 pm; golf at 1:00 pm. There is a \$13.00 fee which includes 18 holes and lunch. If you have questions, please contact Robert Bezjak at (414) 421-3256.

(First and third Mondays, May thru September)

Board Meeting

Wednesday, August 3 | 1:00 PM

15235 Arrowhead Place, Brookfield.

Golf

Friday, August 5 | 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Brookfield Hills Golf Course 16075 Pinehurst Dr., Brookfield.

Golfing (9 holes) walking or with a motorized cart. Meet at noon for tee off at 12:30 pm. Cost to be determined. If you have any questions, please contact David Zuehlke at (414) 425-8519 or at davzee.dz@gmail.com.

(First and third Fridays, May thru September)

Starry Nights

Friday, August 5 | 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts 3270 Mitchell Park Dr., Brookfield.

De La Buena stand poised for great things to come ... melds Afro-Cuban and Latin Jazz rhythms, bringing an authentic salsa sound seamlessly into the 21st century." (Shepherd Express) Employing jazz harmonic sensibility and a deep-seated love of diverse cultures, De La Buena explores the textures and rhythms of Latin music of the Americas with roots planted firmly in African Diasporic traditions.

Free summer concerts. Look for a tall, small orange bicycle flag for the WOW gathering location. The concert area fills up fast so arrive close to the gathering time to find a place for your lawn chair or blanket. A great time to enjoy summer if the weather is good. There are food and refreshment trucks around the periphery. And the music selection is always great. No need to call or reserve, so just show up and somebody from WOW will be there to welcome you into the gathering.

NEWSLETTER

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Event and Article Submissions

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

Submission deadline for the September issue is August 8, 2022.

August 2022 Events & Activities Cont'd



Biking Group

Tuesday, August 9 | 10:00 AM

Madeline Park, W232N6527 Waukesha Avenue, Sussex, WI.

Everyone who participates in the WOW Biking Group can ride at their own pace and distance. We can try different locations as the group decides. No need to sign up as we will proceed with whoever shows up. Purpose is to get outside and get a little exercise. If you have any questions, please contact Dave Hoag at (262) 622-2448 or at bossHoag@gmail.com.

(Second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. Rain date is the Thursday of that same week.)

Pickleball

Wednesday, August 10 | 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Oakwood Park, Menomonee Falls.

If you have any questions, please contact Carl Fisher at (262) 527-2190 or at carlf.carla@gmail.com.

(Occurs every second and fourth Wednesday of the month.)

General Meeting

Wednesday, August 10 | 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

American Legion Post #449, 3245 N. 124th Street, Brookfield.

Entertainment to immediately follow the meeting provided by Groovy. Together for several years, Groovy is a husband and wife duo. They are well versed in music of yesteryear as well as popular songs that we all know from the 50's, 60's, and 70's. Good dance music to fit the occasion.

For fun, wear purple for awareness and peace.

(The General Meeting is held every second Wednesday of the month and is open to all WOW new and current members. There is a \$10 fee for second time guests.)

Just Bead It!

Thursday, August 11 | 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

American Legion Post #449 3245 N. 124th St, Brookfield.

Come together and bead. As a Certified Jewelry Instructor, Diana Yegge will teach you skills that will help you to create beautiful jewelry. Tools, beads, findings, etc. will be provided. You can bring in UFOs: UnFinished Objects (projects) or broken jewelry that we can try to make useful again. There will be many opportunities to learn how jewelry is made. There is a \$5.00 fee. If you have any questions, please contact Diana at (951) 452-9087 or at 5dnyegge@gmail.com.

(Every second and third Thursday of each month.)

Fish Fry

Friday, August 12 | 4:30 PM

Maxim's Family Restaurant, 18025 W Capitol Dr., Brookfield.

4:30 pm cocktails; 5:00 pm dinner (back of restaurant). **Reservations requested by Friday, August 5.** Contact Ruth Zimmer at (414) 305-2046 or at rzimmer4071@gmail.com with any questions. For additional information see page 6.

Starry Nights

Friday, August 12 | 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Sharon Lynne Wilson Center for the Arts 3270 Mitchell Park Dr., Brookfield.

Irish Fest Sound Sampler with Shane Hennessy. See August 5th event listing for additional details.

August 2022 Events & Activities Cont'd

Mini Golf

Monday, August 15 | 12:30 PM

Moorland Road Golf Center 5900 S Moorland Rd, New Berlin.

Meet at 12:30 pm; golf at 1:00 pm. There is a \$13.00 fee which includes 18 holes and lunch. If you have questions, please contact Robert Bezjak at (414) 421-3256.

(First and third Mondays, May thru September)

Breakfast Together

Tuesday, August 16 | 10:00 AM

Meyer's Restaurant and Bar, 4260 S. 76th St, Greenfield.

Please let Tim Mellema know if you are planning to attend as the restaurant requires a count. You may reach Tim at 262-722-0295 or at

tim.mellema@icloud.com.

(Breakfast Together at Meyer's Greenfield is every third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.)

Just Bead It!

Thursday, August 18 | 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

American Legion Post #449 3245 N. 124th St, Brookfield.

Come together and bead. As a Certified Jewelry Instructor, Diana Yegge will teach you skills that will help you to create beautiful jewelry. Tools, beads, findings, etc. will be provided. You can bring in UFOs: UnFinished Objects (projects) or broken jewelry that we can try to make useful again. There will be many opportunities to learn how jewelry is made.

There is a \$5.00 fee. If you have any questions, please contact Diana at (951) 452-9087 or at 5dnyegge@gmail.com.

(Every second and third Thursday of each month.)

Game Night

Thursday, August 18 | 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

HA Todd Jr. American Legion Post 537, 9159 W. Beloit Road, Milwaukee.

If you have any questions, please contact your hosts Faith Gilhuber at (414) 243-4810 or Chuck Keaton at (608) 495-2663 with any questions. *(Cards and games are played every third Thursday of the month from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM. The cost \$3.00.)*

Golf

Friday, August 19 | 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Brookfield Hills Golf Course 16075 Pinehurst Dr., Brookfield.

Golfing (9 holes) walking or with a motorized cart. Meet at noon for tee off at 12:30 pm. Cost to be determined. If you have any questions, please contact David Zuehlke at (414) 425-8519 or at davzee.dz@gmail.com.

(First and third Fridays, May thru September)

Biking Group

Tuesday, August 23 | 10:00 AM

Madeline Park, W232N6527 Waukesha Avenue, Sussex, WI.

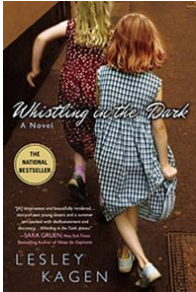
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Pickleball**Wednesday, August 24 | 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM**

Oakwood Park, Menomonee Falls.

If you have any questions, please contact Carl Fisher at (262) 527-2190 or at carlf.carla@gmail.com.

(Occurs every second and fourth Wednesday of the month.)

**Book Club****Thursday, August 25 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

Ally's Powerhouse Café, 10460 W Innovation Dr, Wauwatosa.

The Book Club choice for August is [Whistling in the Dark](#) by [Lesley Kagen](#). It is the story of two tough and endearing little girls in a time not so long ago when life was not as innocent as it appeared. The setting Milwaukee 1959. Please contact Cathy Steiner with any questions at 414-531-3336.

(The Book Club meets every fourth Thursday at 1:00 PM. A different book is selected for each month.)

City Skyline Cruise**Saturday, August 27 | 7:30 PM – 9:00 PM**

Start your night off right with a sunset cruise down the Milwaukee River and into the harbor with DJ ZSmooov!! There is a full bar available for purchase of drinks with cash or card. The cost is \$34.00 plus tax. Arrive 30 minutes early to board. Go to the Edelweiss website (www.edelweissboats.com/public-cruises/city-skyline-cruise) and look for the "City Skyline Cruise" on 8/27 and when it asks if you are joining a group, say yes and enter Widows or Widowers (WOW). This is a first come, first serve event so sign up soon. Refunds are available up to 3 days before the event.

Pizza Night**Tuesday, August 30 | 4:30 PM**

August 30 & October 25: Filippo's at 6915 W Lincoln Ave., West Allis.

September 27 & November 29: Park Avenue Pizza Company, 121 Park Ave, Pewaukee.

Reservations requested. Contact Kathy at (414) 659-4640 or Ken at (414) 339-4396 by **Saturday, August 27** if you are planning to attend. *(Pizza Night is the last Tuesday of every month at 4:30 p.m. The location alternates every month between Park Avenue Pizza Company and Filippo's. Cost is determined by the amount of pizza ordered.)*

Save the Dates

Mark your calendars now for the **Annual Wow Picnic** to be held on Friday, **September 9, 2022**, at Marx Park in Brookfield. See page 6 for additional details.

WOW Christmas Gala – mark your calendars now for the WOW Christmas Gala to be held Thursday, **December 8, 2022**, at the Hampton Inn in West Allis. Watch for details to come

August Fish Fry – Friday, August 12, 2022

Maxim's Family Restaurant

18025 W Capitol Dr, Brookfield

4:30 pm cocktails

5:00 pm dinner (back of restaurant)

Dinner Options:

1. Beer Batter Cod (\$21.25)
2. Baked Cod (\$21.25)
3. Fried Perch (\$25.00)

Prices include a non-alcoholic beverage, cup of chicken dumpling soup, coleslaw, and choice of French fries or potato pancakes. Tax and tip.

No. of Battered Cod Dinners _____ X \$21.25 + No. of Baked Cod Dinners _____ X \$21.25 + No. of Fried Perch Dinners X \$25.00 = Total \$ _____

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

Checks Payable to: **WOW Club**

Mail to: Ruth Zimmer, W172 N7675 Shady Lane, #1001, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

Please submit your money and dinner selections by Friday, August 5, 2022.

Annual WOW Picnic – Friday, September 9, 2022

Marx Park

1700S. Barker Rd, Brookfield

11:00 am – 5:00 pm

Picnic includes a box lunch from Cousins. Chips, cookie, and water. Baked beans, watermelon, and a dessert will be provided. Bring anything you would like to drink BYOB - we have an alcohol permit. Have an afternoon of fun, cards and outdoor games. The park provides a horseshoe pit, bag toss, covered shelter and bathrooms, basketball court, softball field, and tennis courts.

Sandwich Choices (please choose one per person):

Club - Ham, turkey, provolone, lettuce, onion, tomatoes, & mayo _____

Veggie - Provolone, spring mix, green pepper, cukes, onion, & tomato _____

Roast Beef/Cheddar - Beef, cheddar, lettuce, onion, tomato, & mayo _____

Chicken Cheddar Cheese - Chicken Breast, bacon, cheddar, lettuce, onion, tomato, & mayo _____

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of people _____ X \$15.00 = \$ _____

Checks Payable to: **WOW Club**

Mail to: Linda Michelsen, N33W22034 Memory Lane, Pewaukee, WI 53072

Please submit your money and dinner selections by Friday, September 2, 2022.

Any questions, contact Linda Michelsen at (262) 691-4794 or Sandy Gast at (262) 349-0388.

September Fish Fry – Friday, September 23, 2022

Silver Spur Texas Smokehouse BBQ

13275 Watertown Plank Rd, Elm Grove

4:30 pm

Dinner Options:

1. Beer Batter Cod (\$18.00)
2. Baked Cod (\$18.00)
3. Fried Perch (\$21.00)

All dinner options include choice of five potatoes–French fries, baked potato, sweet potato fries, potato pancakes, or potato salad (to be ordered upon your arrival)–also includes coleslaw, lemon, and tartar sauce. Tax and gratuity.

No. of Beer Batter Cod Dinners _____ X \$18.00 + No. of Baked Cod Dinners _____ X \$18.00 + No. of Fried Perch Dinners X \$21.00 = Total \$ _____

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

Checks Payable to: **WOW Club**

Mail to: Jo Cross, 10037 W. Fiebrantz Ave., Milwaukee 53222

Please submit your money and dinner selection by Monday, September 19, 2022.

Creating a Wow Event

If you would like to host an event for WOW, please review the new guidelines below for creating an event. You may also find the guidelines on the WOW website at www.milwowclub.info/creating-a-wow-event.

- "IDEA", for example: "luncheon", research venues and dates.
- Check with Joy Imms at 262-391-3606 about the chosen date so it does not conflict with any other activity.
- Speak to manager or contact person at venue, and ask about capacity, parking for large groups, and food pricing that does not include coffee or dessert. Members pay for their own drinks on separate checks. WOW does not fund any alcohol drinks. If no down payment is required, you may book event and confirm with Joy that you have done so.
- When pricing your event, the price should include tax and 20% – 22% tip rounding total up to nearest \$1.00. For example: lunch is \$10.00, tax would be \$0.55, tip would be \$2.20. Total cost per attendee: \$13.00.
- When a down payment or contract is required give that information to Joy who will get Board approval to do so. Joy will contact Treasurer who will issue a check for down payment.
- When you have all information completed, you MUST your event details using the online event submission form located here: <https://www.milwowclub.info/w-o-w-event-submission-form>. If help is needed to complete the online form, ask for help from a Board member.
- Checks should made payable to WOW and mailed to event coordinator. Choose a cutoff date about a week prior to event. If the event has a limited capacity note that in your information.
- After the event, checks should be given to Treasurer. If the Treasurer is attending, they will pay the bill. If they are not attending, they will designate an attendee to pay.
- If someone is unable to attend and the restaurant charges for the meal, no refund is given.
- If you are booking a non-eating event you will still need to follow the directions above omitting non-essential information.

Widows or Widowers Club

A club exclusively for the Widowed.

Founded in 1972.

Offering friendship to those who have lost a spouse.

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WIDOWS OR WIDOWERS CLUB
15235 ARROWHEAD PLACE
BROOKFIELD, WI 53005

August 2022 Birthdays!

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

August 1
Roselyn Stewart

August 13
Chuck Cass

August 25
Margaret Halsey
Pat Hansen

August 2
Mary Ann Bromeisl

August 15
Mary LaFond

August 26
Bonnie Dudley

August 3
Dave Hoag
Linda Michelsen

August 17
Roy Blankenheim
Sharon Garza
Gloria Schmitt
Karen Wilson
Claudia Winkler

August 27
Mary Holzhauer
Carol Hughes
Howard Schwartz

August 8
Dave Zuehlke

August 9
Carol Cummisford

August 19
Faith Gilhuber

August 12
Carl Fisher
Carrol Jerdee

August 22
Geraldine Gjerseth
Tim Mellema



We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.milwowclub.info