

### 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](http://www.milwowclub.info)

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## President's Message

Hello everyone,

We had a wonderful start to the New Year with entertainment offered by our interim Program Committee consisting of Dave Hoag, Tim Mellema, and Phyllis Vaglica. Diana Yegge has an article discussing the event in more detail. Everyone had a great time! A great deal of planning went into the evening. Thank you to our interim Program Committee for jumping right in with little notice and planning such a great beginning for the 2023! The nominations for open Board Positions will be presented at the February 8th General

Meeting followed by entertainment which is listed in the newsletter and on our website ([www.milwowclub.info](http://www.milwowclub.info)). Our Bylaws state that members must be present to be able to vote for these new board members.

Attendance at our January General Meeting included 60 members, 2 new members, and 7 guests. The February and March General Meetings will start at 1:00 and end at 3:30 at American Legion Post 449. Enjoy the events coming up. Please join us! Be well!

—Mary Sherman

## Vice President's Message

I am reporting on our last General Meeting held January 11. What a wonderful afternoon it was! Lots of poodle skirts with sweaters to match, chiffon scarves around the neck and up on ponytails, bobby pins and leather jackets. There was even an Elvis wig. We did the Peppermint Twist, the Limbo Rock, and the Stroll. We kicked up balloons and had a lot of fun. The decorations and goodies were over the top. Many Thanks to the Program Committee: Dave Hoag, Tim Mellema, and Phyllis Vaglica for such a fun event that will be most memorable. A Grease singalong tribute Summer Nights

was in participation of most members with Barb and George. I even had a tribute to me with the song Diana. I can't say enough for all the fun we all had. Great job for a memorable event. I am sure this is just a taste of the many meeting theme events for the future. What a great kickoff for 2023!

—Diana Yegge

## February 2023 Events & Activities

### Board Meeting

**Wednesday, February 1 | 10:00 AM**

16505 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Brookfield.

If you have questions regarding the location and time please contact Lisa Clapsaddle at (262) 501-5575.

*(First Wednesday of every month.)*

### Movie Matinee Friday

**Friday, February 3**

Movie Tavern Brookfield Square, 175 S Moorland Rd., Brookfield.

The cost is \$6.00. Movie selection and time will be determined on Monday the week of the movie. Jo Cross will send a group email with the information. Please email, text, or call Jo at (515) 835-7399 or at [mjcross6057@gmail.com](mailto:mjcross6057@gmail.com) to be added to the list.

*(First and third Friday of each month November thru April.)*

### Breakfast Together

**Monday, February 6 | 10:00 AM**

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

Hosted by Joy Imms and Lisa Clapsaddle. Please let Joy (262) 391-3606 or Lisa (262) 501-5575 know in advance if you are planning to participate.

*(First Monday of every month.)*

### General Meeting

**Wednesday, February 8 | 1:00 PM – 3:30 PM**

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

Entertainment will be provided immediately following the meeting. For fun wear something **RED** for Valentine's Day.

*(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, February 9 | 4:30 PM – 6:30 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](mailto:5dnyegge@gmail.com).

*(Every second and third Thursday of each month.)*

### Bowling

**Monday, February 13 | 12:30 PM**

New Berlin Ale House, 16000 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin.

Meet at 12:30 PM. Bowling begins at 1:00 PM. The cost is \$6.00 for three games or \$2.00 per game. If you plan to participate, please contact Tim Mellema in advance at (262) 722-0295 or at [tim.mellema@icloud.com](mailto:tim.mellema@icloud.com).

*(Second and fourth Mondays of the month.)*

### NEWSLETTER

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#### Event and Article Submissions

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

**Submission deadline for the March 2023 issue is February 6, 2023.**

## February 2023 Events & Activities Cont'd

### Just Bead It!

**Thursday, February 16 | 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM**

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

Tools, beads, findings, etc. will be provided. There is a \$5.00 fee. If you have any questions, please contact Diana at (951) 452-9087 or at [5dnyegge@gmail.com](mailto:5dnyegge@gmail.com).  
(Every second and third Thursday of each month.)

### Game Night

**Thursday, February 16 | 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 is \$3.00.)

### Movie Matinee Friday

**Friday, February 17**

Movie Tavern Brookfield Square, 175 S Moorland Rd., Brookfield.

The cost is \$6.00. Movie selection and time will be determined on Monday the week of the movie. Jo Cross will send a group email with the information. Please email, text, or call Jo at (515) 835-7399 or at [mjcross6057@gmail.com](mailto:mjcross6057@gmail.com) to be added to the list.

(First and third Friday of each month November thru April.)

### Breakfast Together

**Tuesday, February 21 | 10:00 AM - Noon**

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

Please let Tim Mellema know in advance 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](mailto:tim.mellema@icloud.com).

(Third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM.)

### WOW Book Club

**Thursday, January 26 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

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

The book selection for January is [Into Thin Air](#) by [Jon Krakauer](#). We always welcome new members, even if you've never been to a Book Club—you can join us every month or only occasionally throughout the year. You can volunteer to choose a book and lead that session, or you can simply come and enjoy the discussion. Food and drinks can be purchased there. There's always good fellowship available! No RSVP needed. Contact Sue Siewert with any questions at 414-813-0091 or at [sue.siewert55@gmail.com](mailto:sue.siewert55@gmail.com). Upcoming book selections are viewable on Events section of the [WOW Website](#).

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

### February Fish Fry

**Friday, February 24 | 4:30 PM**

Alioto's, 3041 North Mayfair Road, Wauwatosa.

See page 7 for additional details and reservation form. Contact Robert Lambert with any questions at (414) 333-5015 or at [boblambert2216@yahoo.com](mailto:boblambert2216@yahoo.com).



## February 2023 Events & Activities Cont'd

### **Bowling**

**Monday, February 27 | 12:30 PM**

New Berlin Ale House, 16000 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin.

Meet at 12:30 PM. Bowling begins at 1:00 PM. The cost is \$6.00 for three games or \$2.00 per game. If you plan to participate, please contact Tim Mellema in advance at (262) 722-0295 or at [tim.mellema@icloud.com](mailto:tim.mellema@icloud.com).

*(Second and fourth Mondays of the month.)*

### **Pizza Night - South**

**Tuesday, February 28 | 4:30 PM – 8:00 PM**

New Berlin Ale House 16000 W. Cleveland Ave, New Berlin, WI.

Join your WOW friends for pizza. There will be a choice of five different pizzas each pizza night (no need to preregister your choice of pizza toppings). Pizza will be available about 5:30 pm and served buffet style. Please register by signing the "Pizza Clipboard" at the Welcome Table at the monthly meeting OR by texting or calling Phyllis at (262) 894-9619 or Dave at (262) 622-2448.

Registration deadline is the Monday before Pizza Night. Payment of \$10 (cash only) collected at the door.

*(The last Tuesday of the month. The pizza location alternates every month between a North side restaurant, Pistol Pete's Neighborhood Grill, on odd-numbered months and at a South side restaurant, New Berlin Ale House, on even-numbered months.)*

## February Membership Dues Notice

The following members are scheduled to renew their membership dues this month. Dues for February 2023 are \$50.00.

Mary Ann Bromeisl  
Barb Hart  
Nancy Inzeo

Sharon Jantz  
Kathy Olesen

Lois Patton  
George Quisno

## Poetry Corner

### **A Summer Love**

Cradled in nature's arms  
our cabin shelters us from  
the summer wind.  
In the afternoon sun my lover  
picks a bouquet of wild  
flowers.  
I arrange them in a mason jar  
filled with icy water from  
the pump.  
The pale blue jar sparkles in the  
sunlight.  
Outside a strong wind rises  
up and moves through  
the Pines.  
Exhilarated we breathe  
deeply, letting the wind  
wash over us.  
The sound of musical  
wind chimes, hanging  
in the pines,  
echo our love.

—Roselyn Stewart

## 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 be 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.

## February Fish Fry – Friday, February 24, 2023

### Alioto's

3041 North Mayfair Road, Wauwatosa

4:15 pm Cocktails

5:00 pm Dinner

Dinner Options:

1. Cod (3 pieces) served with French fries and coleslaw (\$19.00)
2. Baked Cod served with baby red potatoes and salad (\$21.00)

No. of Cod Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ X \$19.00 + No. of Baked Cod Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ X \$21.00 = Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks Payable to: **WOW Club**

Please submit all reservations to:

Bob Lambert, 5760 w Green Brook Dr., Brown Deer, WI 53223.

**First come first served. Attendance limited to 42. WOW policy does not provide for refunds.**

*If you have any questions, please contact Robert Labmbert at (414) 333-5015 or at [boblambert2216@yahoo.com](mailto:boblambert2216@yahoo.com).*

## March Fish Fry – Friday, March 17, 2023

### Diamond Jim's Steakhouse

11811 W Janesville Rd., Hales Corners

4:30 pm Cocktails

5:30 pm Dinner

Dinner Options:

1. Battered Cod served with French fries or potato pancakes (\$23.00)
2. Broiled Cod served with French fries or potato pancakes (\$23.00)

No. of Battered Cod Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ X \$23.00 + No. of Broiled Cod Dinners \_\_\_\_\_ X \$23.00 = Total

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Checks Payable to: **WOW Club**

Please submit all reservations, along with payment by Monday, March 13 to:

Lisa Clapsaddle

16455 Georgetown Dr. Apt. 101, Brookfield, WI 53005

**First come first served. WOW policy does not provide for refunds.**

*If you have any questions, please contact Joy Imms at (262) 319-3606 or Lisa Clapsaddle at (262) 501-5575.*

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## February 2023 Birthdays!

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

February 4  
George Quisno

February 26  
Ruth Zimmer

February 5  
Sandy Gast  
Dixie Williamson

February 28  
Mike Hyland

February 10  
Martha Haas  
Bridget Roth

February 11  
Roy Anderson

February 13  
Kathy Olesen

February 19  
Patti Marseo

February 23  
Robert Vallis



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