

WOW Newsletter

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

Monthly meeting/social gatherings are held at the
American Legion Post #449, 3245 N 124th St, Brookfield
www.milwowclub.info

President's Message

Hello, Friends and members of our fantastic WOW club. I hope you are all out and about enjoying the lovely weather and are able to take in the beauty of all the sprouting flowers and trees!

Just a quick reminder that we had our last social gathering at the Elks Club, so we are saying goodbye to the that venue and will be looking forward to having future gatherings at the American Legion, Post 449, located at 3945 N 124th Street in Brookfield. So make a note of this - Our June meeting will be held at this new location. Rumor has it that the "Post" is working on the possibility of offering a dinner prior to future meetings. Also, the bar at the Post will be open after the meetings are done and they will be offering snacks, so if anyone wants to stick around and continue to socialize they can also enjoy some munchies with their good conversation. The Post really aims to please. The information pertaining to the dinner offerings will be available soon and will go out to everyone via email as soon as they are able to provide it.

It was great seeing all who attended the May Social Gathering. We had a record 92 members and 7

guests this time. The band was a HIT and so were all the energetic dancers! The gold name tags that we ask guests to wear are a hit! This allows members to be able to purposefully welcome our guests and strike up some good conversation with them. The Birthday sashes are so much fun too. It's nice to recognize our members' birthdays this way.

Please be on the look out for mention of a future Beer Garden Hops list, which will be going out soon. In fact, please contact me if you know of any nice Beer Garden locations that you think the WOW club would enjoy.

Be sure to check out the many activities in this Newsletter that are in full gear now that the nice weather has arrived!

Please let me or any Board member know if you have an idea for an activity that you feel our WOW club would enjoy. We are open to any suggestions that can make our WOW club a working club of activities we can all enjoy.

Enjoy your activities and stay safe.

~Diana Yegge

WOW President



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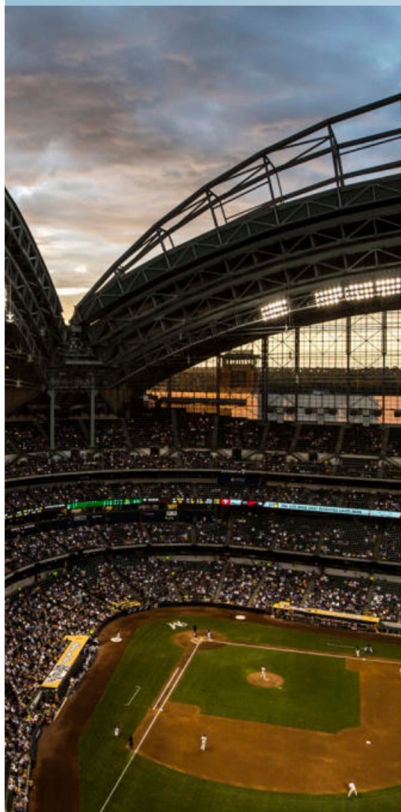
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June 2024 Events & Activities

NOTE: Check www.milwowclub.info for new and updated events.

Breakfast Together

Monday, June 3 | 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. Happens the first Monday of every month.

Mini Golf

Monday, June 3 | 12:30 PM

Moorland Rd Golf Center 5900 S Moorland Rd, New Berlin

Enjoy mini golf and lunch with your WOW friends! The \$14 fee includes 18 holes of mini golf, a sandwich & chips plus a soft drink. Contact Roy Anderson (414-467-9800 or royandrsn2@gmail.com) for more information. Happens 1st & 3rd Mondays May through September, except Labor Day.

Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 5 | 10:00 AM

Brookfield Public Library, 1900 N Calhoun Rd, Brookfield.

Happens the first Wednesday of every month.

Pickleball

Wednesday, June 5 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Oakwood Park Dennis Droese Dr, Menomonee Falls

Join "Coach Carl's Pickleball Team" for friendly Pickleball games every Wednesday, May through August. Play occasionally or come every week. Have fun in a non-competitive environment. Bring your Paddle & some balls. If you prefer to watch, just bring a chair and join the "Chairleader" squad on the sidelines. For more information call Phyllis Vaglica (262-894-9619) or Sue Siewert (414-813-0091).

Fireside Dinner Theater - "Nonsense"

Friday, June 7 | 10:00 AM

The Fireside Theatre 1131 Janesville Ave, Fort Atkinson

A madcap revue with a hysterical, anything-goes, good natured sense of fun. The Little Sisters of Hoboken are in dire financial straits. It seems they must raise enough money to bury the last four of 52 dearly departed nuns who were accidentally poisoned by the convent cook, Sister Julia (Child of God). The five remaining sisters perform with quick paced, comic flair and high-spirited singing. It's an outrageous premise for a long-running hit show that's "sinfully" hilarious and definitely habit forming! \$85 per person. Choose from 4 entrees. Call Tom Jones at 262-327-7019 or email him at thomisgreatx@outlook.com for details and to reserve your seat.

Golf

Friday, June 7 | 1:00 PM

Brookfield Hills Golf Course 16075 Pinehurst Dr. Brookfield

Cost is \$23 for 9 holes including cart. Tee-off at 1:00pm. NOTE: Text or email Martin Blazei (414-209-2208 or mblazei@yahoo.com) by 4pm on the Thursday prior to golf day if you plan on participating so he can reserve the proper number of golf carts. Happens the first and third Fridays of every month May through September.

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Event and Article Submissions

Please submit all Event details via the website submission form by the 15th of the month in order to appear on the website and be included in the next month's newsletter.

All Newsletters will be sent out via email by the 20th of the month. (i.e. The June issue will be sent out on May 20th; July will be sent out on June 20th, etc.)

June 2024 Events & Activities (continued)

Walking Club

Saturday, June 8 | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Lapham Peak Unit W329N846 County Trunk Hwy C, Delafield

Approximately one hour walk on paved trail with brunch to follow at Lumber Inn, 612 Well St, Delafield. Directions: Highway C entrance and stay left to Homestead Hollow parking lot. State fees apply. Carpool if possible. Please RSVP to Mary Ann (mworgull@sbcglobal.net or 262-844-0414).

Bike Riding

Tuesday, June 11 | 10:00 AM

Ozaukee Interurban Trail, Mequon WI

Meet at the west side of Mequon City Hall Parking Lot (11333 N Cedarburg Rd, Mequon). Our goal is to get outside and get a little exercise and have fun doing it! Bike at your own pace and distance. No need to sign up. Happens the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month May through September. Any questions? Contact Dave Hoag at bosshoag@gmail.com or 262-622-2448.

Free Concert in the Park: Eric Clapton Tribute

Tuesday, June 11 | 5:30-9:00 PM

Les Paul Performance Center in Cutler Park, Waukesha

The concert will take place from 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm with concessions starting at 5:30 pm. “Claptonation” is a tribute to one of the greatest singer/songwriter/guitarist/performers the world has ever known, Eric Clapton. Immerse yourself in the timeless classics, the electrifying solos, and the raw emotion that define Clapton’s iconic sound. No need to RSVP, but bring a lawn chair and snacks if you so desire and relax with great music and even better friends! Look for the “WOW” Flag! Contact Mary (414-828-9222) or Dave (262-622-2448) with questions.

Pickleball

Wednesday, June 12 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Oakwood Park Dennis Droese Dr, Menomonee Falls

(See June 5th event listing for details)

General Meeting/Social Gathering

Wednesday, June 12 | 6:30 - 9:30 PM

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

The June Meeting is "BREWER NIGHT" as we return to the Legion Post 449. Following the Meeting, enjoy the 5-piece Band "Close Enuf" playing 50s-60s-70s pop rock hits. We'll be snacking on peanuts and Cracker Jack. For fun, wear your Brewers attire (or colors navy blue and yellow). Social Gatherings are held every second Wednesday of the month and are open to all new and current members as well as 1st time guests. NOTE: Repeat guests are welcome with payment of a \$10 fee.

June Fish Fry

Friday, June 14 | 4:30 PM

Bucyrus Club 1919 12th Avenue, South Milwaukee

Dinner Options: Battered Cod, Baked Cod or Shrimp Dinner (\$24.00 each). Dinners include Coleslaw and Rye bread and either French Fries or Potato Pancakes. Make your selections on the registration form on page 7 of this newsletter. Payment deadline is June 6th. Contact Bob Vallis (414-651-5272) or Lisa Clappsaddle (262-501-5575).

Mini Golf

Monday, June 17 | 12:30 PM

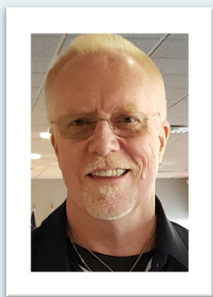
Moorland Rd Golf Center 5900 S Moorland Rd, New Berlin

(See June 3rd event listing for details)



Member Spotlight

Introducing our Entertainment Chairperson in this edition of “Member Spotlight!”



Dave Hoag

Dave has been widowed for three years. He retired in 2010 from working as a Press Manager at Quadgraphics for 33 years, Now, aside from serving as WOW’s Entertainment Chair and resident “DJ,” Dave volunteers at his church, Luther Manor, and he also helps out at Memory Cafés as well as annual Alzheimer’s walks. In Dave’s spare time he enjoys listening to music, going to concerts, riding his bike, hiking, photography and Indy Car Racing. Dave has been a member of WOW for 2 1/2 years now. He said that he knew about WOW because his Dad was a member back in the late 80’s, early 90’s, but a friend from his Alzheimer’s support group, (fellow WOW member, Harlan Mueller) suggested that he should join WOW and he is so glad that he did! Dave’s favorite thing about WOW is all the fun activities such as bike riding and dancing, etc. plus the fact that he has so many new friends! Next time you see Dave at a WOW function, make sure to say “hi” and introduce yourself!

June 2024 Event & Activities (continued)

Breakfast Together **Tuesday, June 18 | 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 (tim.mellema@icloud.com or 262-722-0295). Happens the third Tuesday of every month.

Pickleball **Wednesday, June 19 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

Oakwood Park Dennis Droese Dr, Menomonee Falls(See June 5th event listing for details)

Sip ‘n Dip **Wednesday, June 19 | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

Double D’s Pub and Eatery, 5171 S 108th Street, Hales Corners

Come and enjoy an afternoon of sipping and snacking with the fellowship of WOW friends. It’s Wing Wednesday, at 75 cents/wing (in increments of 6). Or order off the menu. Great food with great servings!! Call Diana Yegge with questions (951-452-9087). Happens the third Wednesday of every month.

Game Night **Thursday, June 20 | 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM**

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

\$4 at the door. Bring a snack to share (optional). Ice water or drinks from the bar are available. Contact Joanne Majstorovic (414-427-9324) or Sandy Gast (262-349-0388) with any questions. Happens every 3rd Thursday.

Golf **Friday, June 21 | 1:00 PM**

Brookfield Hills Golf Course 16075 Pinehurst Dr. Brookfield

(See June 7th event listing for details)

Walking Club **Saturday, June 22 | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

Lapham Peak Unit W329 N, 846 County Trunk Hwy C, Delafield

(See June 8th event listing for details)

Bike Riding **Tuesday, June 25 | 10:00 AM**

Ozaukee Interurban Trail, Mequon WI

(See June 11th event listing for details)

Pizza Night - South **Tuesday, June 25 | 4:30 PM – 8:00 PM**

New Berlin Ale House 16000 W Cleveland Ave, New Berlin

Join your WOW friends for PIZZA NIGHT on the last Tuesday of every month starting at 4:30 pm. There will be five different kinds of Pizzas served buffet-style beginning about 5:15 pm. Payment of \$10 cash will be collected at the door (includes tax and tip). Come for the PIZZA...stay for the FELLOWSHIP! Sign up on the “Pizza Clipboard” at the monthly Social Gathering or contact Phyllis at 262-894-9619 or phylvaglica@gmail.

June Events & Activities (continued) & Some July Events & Activities

Pickleball

Wednesday, June 26 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Oakwood Park Dennis Droese Dr, Menomonee Falls

(See June 5th event listing for details)

WOW Book Club

Thursday, June 27 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Joney Cafe Shaker House Building 17700W Capitol Dr Ste 20 #3 Brookfield

The June book is "*The Extraordinary Life of Sam Hill*" by Robert Dugoni. Born with red pupils, Sam Hill was called a "Devil Boy" or Sam "Hell" by his classmates. Forty years later, Sam, a small town eye doctor, is no longer certain anything is by design- especially not the tragedy that caused him to turn his back on friends, his hometown, and the life he'd always known. As he looks back at his life, Sam embarks on a journey that will take him halfway across the world – bringing into clear view what changed him, defined him and made him so afraid, until he can finally see what truly matters. We always welcome new members! Join in every 4th Thursday of the month or only on occasion. Food and drink can be purchased at the restaurant. There's always good fellowship. No RSVP needed. Contact Sue Siewert at 414-813-0091 or sue.siewert55@gmail.com.

Karaoke

Thursday, June 27 | 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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

Enjoy a night of Karaoke at the Legion. Delight us with your singing or just listen and clap for others. Singers need not be professionals, just have the courage to get up and sing! Food is offered: Brats, hot dogs, and hamburgers with fixings and a couple of sides dishes. Dessert is offered and the Post will gladly take any baked items you may want to bring to assist the Post. Libations are offered at the bar at a reasonable price. This is a comfortable evening to enjoy with friends of WOW. If you have any questions, please text Diana Yegge at 951-452-9087. (Fourth Thursday of every month)

July Fish Fry

Friday, July 19 | 4:30 PM

Open Flame Restaurant 5081 S 108th St, Greenfield

Your choice of 4 different Entres. Each option comes with fresh bread and coleslaw plus your choice of Soup OR Salad AND your choice of Potato (French Fries, Baked Potato w/sour cream, or Homemade Potato Pancakes). Entres to choose from are: Beer Battered Cod served with roasted corn; Beer Battered Lake Perch served with roasted corn; Baked Cod served with lemon cream sauce and broccoli spears; or Baked Cod Oscar topped with real crab meat, scallops, shrimp, asparagus and Hollandaise sauce. Your soup choice (clam chowder or chicken orzo) or your salad dressing choice will be ordered at the table. Make your selections on the registration form on page 7 of this newsletter. Payment deadline is July 12th. Contact Mary Piekarski (414-828-9222) or Jim McMahon (414-429-3917).

Minor League Baseball & Pre-game Picnic

Friday, July 26 | 5:30 PM (picnic) 6:35 (game)

Concordia's Scenic Kapco Stadium 12800 N Lake Shore Dr, Mequon

Chinooks play the Wisconsin Rapids Rafters. Reserved grandstand tickets \$27; includes an "all you can eat" picnic by the stands. Picnic begins when gates open (approx. 1 hour before game and concludes 30 minutes after first pitch). Menu: Hot dogs, brats, hamburgers, your choice of 2 sides (chips, potato salad, pasta salad or coleslaw), canned soda, lemonade, water. Vegetarian/vegan options available. Cash bar available. It's near the lake, so a cool breeze on a hot day is guaranteed! Free parking & free golf cart assistance, if needed. A minimum of 25 must sign-up by the deadline of June 15th in order to reserve. Contact Sue Siewert with questions (414-813-0091 or sue.siewert55@gmail.com). Mail your checks (made payable to WOW) to Sue at 11921 N Solar Ave, Mequon WI 53097.



save the date
For the Annual WOW
End of Summer Picnic
Thursday, September 5th
Details to come!



June 2024 Birthdays!

- June 3 Michele Boettcher
- June 4 Karen Krynsinski
- June 4 Marilyn Skony
- June 5 Pat Mendizabal
- June 5 Phyllis Vaglica
- June 13 Bob Lawrence

- June 15 Claudette Bolling
- June 15 Mary Domino
- June 18 Marilyn Stormowski
- June 19 Rennia Wotnoske
- June 20 Linda Knorr
- June 20 Julie Egide

- June 21 Dan Rieck
- June 21 Pat Hertel
- June 30 Maxine Mellantine
- June 30 Peg Oettinger
- June 30 Lila Schwenk

June Membership Dues Renewal Notice

The following members are scheduled to renew their membership dues this month. Annual Dues are \$50.00. You may pay your membership dues at the monthly General Meeting or mail a check made payable to "WOW Club" to Mary Piekarski, S66W24310 Skyline Ave, Waukesha, WI 53189.

- Robert Bezjak
- Linda Ann Boucher
- Judy Cimbalnik
- Nan Feurer
- Sue Frank
- Mary Gerber

- Carrol Glodowski
- Margaret Halsey
- Judy Harmon
- Carrol Jerdee
- Tom Jones

- Sharon Kalupa
- Kathy Mateicka
- Harlan Mueller
- Sue Siewert
- Rennia Wotnoske



We are so excited to welcome the following NEW member who joined up last month. Look for this names at future events and social gatherings and be sure to extend a warm "Hello!"

- Patti Haak
- Wayne Nettesheim

- Ron Ropel
- Robin Shapiro

Registration Forms:

June Fish Fry - Friday, June 14, 2024 | 4:30pm

Bucyrus Club 1919 12th Avenue, South Milwaukee

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

No. of Battered Cod Dinners: _____ x \$24.00* = \$ _____

Select one: French Fries Potato Pancakes

No. of Baked Cod Dinners: _____ x \$24.00* = \$ _____

Select one: French Fries Potato Pancakes

No. of Shrimp Dinners: _____ x \$24.00* = \$ _____

Select one: French Fries Potato Pancakes

TOTAL: # of Dinners _____ = \$ _____ *Price includes tax and gratuity

NOTE: Each dinner comes with coleslaw and rye bread. Seating is limited.

Make check payable to: WOW Club

Please submit reservations along with payment to:

Bob Vallis
5650 S Andrea Drive
New Berlin, WI 53151

OR Submit registration form and payment at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.
WOW policy does not provide refunds for cancellations.

July Fish Fry - Friday, July 19, 2024 | 4:30pm

Open Flame Restaurant 5081 S 108th St, Greenfield, WI

Member Name: _____ Phone: _____

_____**Beer Battered Cod** with Soup or Salad (circle one) @\$21.00* = _____

Select Potato: Fries Baked w/sour cream Pancakes

_____**Beer Battered Lake Perch** with Soup or Salad (circle one) @\$22.00* = _____

Select Potato: Fries Baked w/sour cream Pancakes

_____**Baked Cod** with Soup or Salad (circle one) @\$22.00* = _____

Select Potato: Fries Baked w/sour cream Pancakes

_____**Baked Cod Oscar** with Soup or Salad (circle one) @\$25.00* = _____

Select Potato: Fries Baked w/sour cream Pancakes

TOTAL: # of Dinners _____ = \$ _____ *Price includes tax and gratuity

NOTE: Limited to 50 persons

Make check payable to: WOW Club

Please submit reservations along with payment **by July 12th** to:

Jim McMahon
5527 W Jerelyn Place
Milwaukee, WI 53219

OR Submit registration form and payment at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.
WOW policy does not provide refunds for cancellations.



Mary had
a pickleball
And also had
a paddle.

She went down
to the court one day
And there she
learned to battle.
Now Mary loved
her pickleball
She rose up to
the top.

She credited her
rise to fame
To a first-class-
third-shot drop.

Mary said to
learn this game
It's going to take
some time.

To speed things up
she's written down
some coaching tips
in rhyme.



Milwaukee Widows or Widowers (WOW) Club

S66W24310 Skyline Ave
Waukesha WI 53189

For the most up-to-date WOW
Club event information visit
us as:

www.milwowclub.info

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Creating a WOW Event

- “IDEA” for example: “luncheon” research venues and dates.
- If planning a Fish Fry first call Joann Stabenfeldt (414-412-3542) for the month that you wish to host, then check with Joy to reserve the date on the calendar.
- For all OTHER activities check with Joy Imms at 262-391-3606 to ensure that the selected date 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: 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