# Newsletter

## Barrington Junior Women's Club

#### The Start of a New Year...

#### Mark Your Calendars! BJWC Sept 2 n d General Meeting Oct. Dues are 7th **DUE @ Next** General Meeting **BJWC Fall** Nov. 15th Fashion Show Dec. Giving Tree 2 n d Dinner

This is truly going to be a great year with Juniors!

Hopefully you all had a wonderful summer and now are ready to get back into the swing of things!

This year our focus as an executive board is to give members the opportunity to get more "hands on" with some of our fundraising activities and get a better understanding of all of the wonderful things that BJWC does for this community.

Please try and attend the September 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting. We will be stuffing the invitations for the Fall Fashion Show and we could definitely use the help.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting.

Wendy BowerPresident

#### A NEW LOCATION for our next meeting

#### Our next General Meeting has a NEW LOCATION!

#### We will meet at Citizen's Park.

The September meeting will share news about the endeavor to build a new children's hospital in the Northwest suburbs.

Come and hear about the

plans for St. Alexius Children's Hospital in Hoffman Estates.

In addition, the presenter will provide information about new programs and services that may benefit you and your family.

-Jackie Kapcheck Membership Education



#### Be Ready to SMILE and Say CHEESE!

#### Say Cheese!!!

The 2008/2009 BJWC Directory will be printed and distributed after the 1st of the new year.

At the first few meetings this year, members will



be asked to review/update their personal information when they sign in. This way, we will be all set to create the Directory in January. Also, headshots will be taken at these general meetings for our new members' photo gallery.

-Caroline Eisenbarth

#### Did you know...

- Service to Seniors is looking for a new home to store miniloaves. Let us know if you have any ideas!
- The Giving Tree Dinner Committee is already hard at work making plans for the December Dinner on the 2nd.

#### **BJWC Fall Fashion Show**

Each year, BJWC puts on a fall fashion show.

The theme for this year is "Simple Elegance" and it will be on Saturday, November 15th at the Stonegate Banquet and Conference Center in Hoffman Estates.

If you have any items/
ideas for the Silent
Auction, please contact

Susan Laudick at 847-571-6501 and for the Live Auction, please contact Nina Stephenson at 847-381-4806.

Please start talking up this event with your friends and family. Tickets will go on sale shortly and they will be \$70 for a runway seat and \$60 for a nonrunway seat. You will have the opportunity to purchase an entire table if you like!

We have a wonderful committee and can't wait for everyone to help us stuff the invitations on September 2<sup>nd</sup> at our first General Meeting.

- -Diana Brady
- -Sarah Cuthbertson
- -Susan Laudik.



#### High School Volunteers/Information Technology

#### **High School Volunteers**

We are a new committee designed to coordinate efforts with the BHS guidance department to facilitate the volunteer armies that are required for our fundraising events. If you are the parent of a high school student who would like to assist with our events or know of others who may be interested, please have them contact the guidance office at BHS to get on board. We will

have more specific information as to the particular volunteer opportunities as we get closer to our events. Please feel free to contact us at BJWC – Chris Geiger 847-382-1987 or Marilyn Kallimanes 847-382-0471 for further information.

#### Information Technology

Board members were given the task at the August Board Meeting to review their committee's web page (s) and provide feedback to I.T. on what they'd like changed, archived, posted, etc. All board member's user accounts have been setup and will be communicated via email from I.T. The "Members Only" section of the website requires a "User" and "Pass" to be entered by the member. General member account information will be setup and distributed by mid September.

-Caroline Eisenbarth

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#### Safety Town / Hospice Duck Race

Congratulations to the entire **Safety Town Committee** for an outstanding year!

Over 260 children attended camp this summer and over 120 middle school/high school volunteers helped to make this happen. Everyone on the committee worked so hard to pull off this event and all of their efforts paid off!

This year we introduced for the first time identity kits for the kids and finger printed the campers, with the permission of their parents and the assistance of the equipment from Klaas Kids Foundation.

-Helen Goodman

Special thanks for Jackie Kapcheck, **Community Outreach**, for putting together all of the goody bags for the Hospice Duck Race this year! Jackie put together 250 goody bags which included kites and special treats for the children. This is the 4th year that BJWC has provided these goody bags for Hospice and they are always so grateful for our support!

-Jessica Paxton-Geib



#### Hearts and Flowers News

Please join me in welcoming two new babies to the BJWC "family":

Karyn and Todd Bundrant welcomed Benjamin Allen to their family on August 16<sup>th</sup>. He measured 20 inches and weighed in at 8 lbs 6 oz. Benjamin was welcomed by big sisters, Taylor and Lilly. Chris and Russell Smith welcomed Marin
Christine on August
22nd. Marin weighed in at
7 lbs. 12 oz and she is 20
inches tall. She was
welcomed home by big
brother Grant and big
sister Brynn.

Congratulations to both families and we look forward to meeting their new additions in the near future!!

Please contact me at <a href="mailto:kimlee22@comcast.net">kimlee22@comcast.net</a> if you have any news to be shared with the club (i.e new baby) or if you have a hardship in your family and you feel as though you could use a little extra help (such as a meal delivery).

-Kim Lee



#### Dues are Due!

We've got an exciting year ahead of us and many wonderful events planned to help and enhance the lives of those in our community. To help stay consistent with rising costs, the Board has approved an increase in Active members' dues for 2008-09. Membership dues will be \$60 for Actives and \$55 for Associates (unchanged from last year). Please submit your dues to Michele Rath at the next General

Meeting, September 2<sup>nd</sup> or snail mail to her address in the directory. Payment is accepted in the form of cash or check. Dues should be submitted no later than October 7th, 2008. Actives, please keep in mind this \$10 incremental cost goes to ensure we are well provided for at Club. These costs go to supporting our infrastructure and networking tools to stay connected to each other, as well as our community. This comes

in the form of our enhanced web-site, our annual directory, meeting facilities and accommodations, membership services, and operating fees for voice mail boxes. insurance and taxes. Things we don't always think about, but certainly necessary for us to function. Thank you for continuing to be a part of our mission to make a real difference in our community!

-Michele Rath

"You make a living by what you get.
You make a life by what you give."
-Winston Churchill

#### We had a BLAST at the Brat Tent

Way to go **Community Outreach** for all of your hard work to make our day a success at the 4th of July Brat tent this year!

Kathy Clarke and Lori Magee did a fantastic job and worked like crazy to make sure we had fun activities for the kids and covered all of our shifts. Thanks also to everyone in club who volunteered their time to work this event and please extend our gratitude to all of your family members and friends you brought with you to volunteer!

The green bjwc t-shirts were a wonderful addition this year and helped get our name out in the community.

Thanks to Jessica Paxton-Geib and her company, 60010gear.com, for donating these shirts for us!



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For more information,
visit us on the web!
www.BJWC.org

Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has. - Margaret Mead



#### Show you Care... VOLUNTEER

As a member of BJWC, we have all committed to at least 2 hours of community service, in addition to our committee roles. You may sign up to be a driver for Meals with Wheels, be a reader at Sunny Hill Elementary School, and/or participate in one of the different roles associated with Giving Day in December. This year, we plan to have a couple new options as well, to be even more flexible for our members. More information on these options will be available at upcoming meetings. Please be sure to stop by the Community Service table ASAP, if you haven't already, to sign up for the option(s) you want.

#### Bring your Giving Day donations to the meeting!

Giving Day is a huge event held at Station Middle School each year to allow 350+ underprivileged families in the area to "shop" for Christmas gifts. Our club collects and stores the majority of the items donated for this event, and Village Cycle Sport (previously Bikes Plus) has graciously offered their basement (once again!) for us to house the donated items until we transport them to the Middle School. We are accepting donations now for all ages - infants through teenagers, so if you happen to see toys/gifts that you would like to donate, or as you are cleaning the gently

used toys, dolls, stuffed animals, old walkmans, jewelry, etc. out your kids rooms, basements and toy rooms, please consider donating them for Giving Day.

We will be collecting items at our meetings, or you can bring your donations directly to the bike store, which is located at 203 West Northwest Highway (just west of 59).

Please direct questions to Tracy Seagren (847.732.1245) or Tricia Davis (847.382.1955). Let's make this another amazing Giving Day for these families! -Tricia Davis -Tracy Seagren





Be a part of our Fall Fashion Show on Saturday, November 15th