

# WOW Newsletter

**Our Mission: Offering friendship to those who have lost a spouse**  
**www.milwowclub.info**

## President's Message

Greetings, members and guests! It appears that we are in the midst of a s-l-o-w return to warmer weather. Spring is coming!

A big shout-out goes to the many faithful members who refer their friends to the WOW club. As our mission statement claims - we are blessed with many new friends who share similar backgrounds.

Great news regarding the donations for the Hunger Task Force - Collectively, we donated \$1,540.00. Nice work, everyone!

On behalf of the WOW organization, the Executive Board elected to give \$500 to the VFW Post as a year-end token of our appreciation for all that they do and provide for us.

This month the Board will be working on the establishment of each Committee's annual budget. We are gearing up for another great year.

As part of the WOW membership body, we will be voting to install Debra Jochims as our Treasurer for a 2-year term at the March Social Gathering. Deb is truly a "gem" and has already helped us to clarify a working budget for the Club.

Thank you to those who have initiated brand new activities lately and to those members who have approached me with clever new ideas for activities yet to come.

If anyone would like to host an event of their choosing, just simply approach any Board member, Cindy Reed (our Social Coordinator) or myself.

Likewise, if anyone is interested in possibly serving on our Board as any of our Committee duties, just let us know. We always welcome new talent!

Stay safe and get outdoors as you are able. Stay strong!

*~Diana Yegge*

**President**



**Monday Breakfast Together**

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# WOW Events & Activities – March 2026

## Website & Newsletter Layout/Editor

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## Event Submission Procedure

Contact Cindy Reed at 414-416-4143 to confirm that your event date is available, then submit event details to the website editor by filling out an online “EVENT SUBMISSION FORM” found on the WOW website located under the heading:

“EVENTS & ACTIVITIES”  
“CREATING AN EVENT”

Submit all events by the **15th** of the month to have it appear in the next month’s newsletter. All newsletters will be distributed by the 20th of each month.

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**NOTE: Newsletters are now available ONLINE at the top of the “HOME” page on the website: [www.milwowclub.info](http://www.milwowclub.info)**



If you enjoy all the photos that scroll on the screen at the monthly Social Gatherings and in these newsletters, please share yours by emailing them to [clubpicswow@gmail.com](mailto:clubpicswow@gmail.com)

## Breakfast Together

Monday, March 2 | 10:00 AM

Maxim’s Family Restaurant, 18025 W Capitol Dr, Brookfield

Hosted by Joy Imms and Lisa Clapsaddle. Let Joy (262-391-3606) or Lisa (262-501-5575) know in advance if you are planning to participate. (Happens the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month).

## A Night of Story Telling

Tuesday, March 3 | 5 PM – 7 PM

Double D’s Sports Pub & Eatery, 5171 S 108th St, Hales Corners

Let’s get together to enjoy a night of story telling! With all our experiences, there are certainly some tales to tell. Come to share or just to hear. Bring your personal stories, great and small, and perhaps some embellished ones too. Make it impromptu or planned, you decide. Stories should be two to four minutes in length and rated PG-13 or milder. Our theme tonight will be “*idioms*” - common, culturally understood, figurative phrases whose meanings cannot be deduced from the literal definitions of their words (“break a leg” = good luck or “piece of cake” = very easy. Let’s have a “chinwag!” Order off Double D’s menu. Call John Herod with any questions (262-352-5822).

## Movie Friday

Friday, March 6 | Time TBD

(Theater Location To Be Determined)

This Friday’s movie selection title, time and location will be announced on Tuesday of this week, so watch your email inboxes or check the website for details. Movies usually start between 2:00PM and 3:00PM. We often go out to dinner afterwards. We hope to see many of you there to share in the fun and camaraderie! Contact Dave (262-622-2448) or Juli (414-339-1107) with questions. (Happens the 1st Friday of every month October thru April).

## Saturday Game Afternoon

Saturday, March 7 | 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Martin Luther Lutheran Church 9235 W Bluemound Rd, Milwaukee

Join fellow WOW members for an afternoon of fellowship, and game playing, snacks and laughter. Cards are provided for card games (Poker, Sheephead, “May I” and “Hand, Foot and Toe”). Dominoes, Cribbage, and Sequence will also be available. You may also bring your own games. There is a \$4 fee, of which \$3 will be donated to the church and \$1 will be used for supplies like napkins, paper plates and utensils. Bring a snack to share (optional) and bring your own beverage(s). Any questions call Sandy Gast 262-349-0388 or Mary Ann Alberti Kopps 414-405-5147. (Happens the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of every month).

## Bowling

Monday, March 9 | 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM

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

Sign in will be at 12:30 PM so bowling can begin at 1:00 PM. The cost will be \$3.00 per game, and shoes will be available for \$3.00 per rental. If you don’t have one, bowling balls are available for use. If you plan to participate, please contact Tim Mellema in advance at 262-722-0295. (Happens the 2nd and 4th Mondays, Oct through April).

## WOW Events & Activities – March 2026

### Learn to Play Mahjong!

Wednesday, March 11 | 1 PM – 4 PM

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

Join us to learn the exciting game of Mahjong! Hosts will be available to teach the basics and to share their passion for it. We will play at the Ale House prior to “Pizza Night” and will gather in the same space. We welcome all levels of players, but especially those new to the game. We hope this evolves into a regular monthly opportunity to play Mahjong together. No registration or fee required. Games, cards, written instructions and website suggestions for practice will be provided. Call/Text Phyllis (262-894-9619) or Sue (414-813-0091) with questions. (Happens the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month)

### Pizza Night

Wednesday, March 11 | 4:30 PM

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

Join your WOW friends for pizza! Check-in begins at 4:30 pm near the semi-private lower dining area. Pizza served between 5:15 - 5:30 pm. Cost is \$10.00 (cash only. No bills over \$20 please). NOTE: There is NO ordering off the menu. **Sign up on the Pizza clipboard at the February Social Gathering OR text/call one of the Pizza hosts (Diane 414-587-3448 or Julie 414-477-0410) AFTER MARCH 8<sup>th</sup>, as hosts will be unavailable from 2/28 to 3/7.** Registration deadline is the Monday prior to Pizza Night. **Cancelled registrations are required to notify Diane or Julie by the day prior to Pizza Night so the pizza order can be adjusted with the kitchen. “No shows” will be charged.**

### Kenosha Civil War Museum Film & Tour

Thursday, March 12 | 1:00 PM

Kenosha Civil War Museum 5400 1st Ave, Kenosha – **NOTE: Only 3 Spots Left! Call Cindy to Reserve!**

Please join us as we take a guided tour of the Kenosha Civil War Museum. We will learn about the upper Midwest experience in the war and see their film “Seeing the Elephant” (it’s not about elephants!) Tour starts at 1:00 PM and goes to 3:00 PM. The museum is open until 5:00 PM if you would like to meander and see some of the other exhibits. Cindy Reed is happy to help with names of people going on the tour so that people can arrange their own carpools. If possible, we could also take in a casual dinner afterwards. It would be a fun way to end our day. Free parking is available nearby. Registration deadline is February 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Walking Club

Saturday, March 14 | 10:00 AM

Brookfield Square Mall, 95 N Moorland Rd, Brookfield

Baby, it’s COLD outside! No worries – let’s get some exercise indoors with WOW friends. Meet at the mall entrance near Barnes & Noble on the east side of the mall. Afterwards, join us for brunch at Maxim’s (18025 W Capital Dr, Brookfield). Please RSVP to 262-844-0414.

### Breakfast Together

Tuesday, March 17 | 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month).

### WOW Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 18 | 10:00 AM

New Berlin Public Library, 15105 W National Ave, New Berlin

All Board members are required to attend; general members are welcome but not required. (Happens the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month)

# WOW Events & Activities – March 2026

WELCOME

We are so excited to welcome the following NEW members who joined the Club over the past month. Look for their names at future events and be sure to extend a warm



“Hello!”

Judy Lang  
Kristin Strom



February Fish Fry

## Sip'n Dip

Wednesday, March 18 | 2:00 PM - 4:30 PM

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

Enjoy an afternoon of sipping and snacking with the fellowship of WOW friends. It's Wing Wednesday, at 85 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month).

## March Fish Fry

Friday, March 20 | 4:30 PM

Machine Shed, N14W24145 Tower Place, Waukesha

Buffet Includes: Baked and Beer Battered Cod, Warm German Potato Salad, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Warm Apples, Green Bean Almondine, Cole Slaw, Rye Bread, Coffee, Tea and Soft Drinks all for only \$27 per person. Prices includes tax & gratuity. Use Registration form on pg. 6. Seating is limited to 50; Deadline for registration is March 10, 2026. SORRY, NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED, NO EXCEPTIONS! Contact Betty Liebau at 262-229-5286 or liebaubetty@gmail.com with questions.

## Bowling

Monday, March 23 | 12:30 PM to 3:00 PM

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

(See March 9<sup>th</sup> event listing for details)

## General Meeting & Social Gathering

Wed March 25 | 6:30 PM

Hoepfner-Horn Bros VFW Post 5716 17980 W Beloit Rd, New Berlin

Following the short meeting we'll have a Mardi Gras Party! And what better way to celebrate this festive event than with the exciting pop music of Dirty Boogie! Members are invited to get creative - Come dressed in Mardi Gras finery & beads and join the parade led by the "King and Queen" of "Nawlins"!! Water is provided. Other beverages may be purchased at the bar (cash only). There is an ATM is on site. Social Gatherings are held every fourth Wednesday of the month and are open to all new and current members and 1st time guests. Repeat guests are welcome for a \$10 fee.

## WOW Book Club

Thursday, March 26 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Joney Cafe 17700 W. Capital Drive, Suite 20, #3, Brookfield

For March we are reading *The Paris Daughter* by Kristin Harmel. This month's read is a gripping historical novel about two mothers, Elise and Juliette who must make unthinkable choices in the face of Nazi occupation, Paris, 1939. Elise became a target of the German occupation and she entrusted Juliette with the care of her daughter. Juliette's world is rocked by a bomb dropping in their neighborhood and they flee. Here begins the effort of Elise searching for her daughter. We always welcome new members! Food and drink can be purchased at the restaurant. There's always good fellowship. No RSVP needed, but feel free to contact Sue at 414-813-0091 or sue.siewert55@gmail.com. (Happens the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month).

# WOW Events & Activities – March/April 2026

## Walking Club

Saturday, March 28 | 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Brookfield Square Mall 95 N Moorland Rd, Brookfield

(See March 14<sup>th</sup> event listing for details)

## April Fish Fry

Thursday, April 16 | 4:30 PM

Hickory Sticks Restaurant at Morning Star Golfer's Club S77W26285 Prairieside Dr, Waukesha

This place was certainly a "HIT" last year, so we're doing it again! Check in starting at 4:30pm, dinner will be served around 5:00pm. Choose from Beer Battered Cod with house-made coleslaw and your choice of potato (\$23) or Oven-Baked Cod with house-made glazed carrots and your choice of potato (\$24). Make your selections on the registration form found on page 6 and submit with payment via mail or at the monthly WOW Social Gathering. Register by April 6th. Seating is limited to 60. SORRY, NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED, NO EXCEPTIONS! Contact Mary Piekarski (414-828-9222 or mbpiekarski@gmail.com) or Jim McMahon (414-429-3917 or mcmahon.jim@gmail.com) with questions.

## ComedySportz – an Evening of Laughter

Saturday, May 2 | 7:30 PM

ComedySportz 420 S 1st Street, Milwaukee

Let's gather for an evening of Laughter and friendship at ComedySportz! Tickets are only \$12 per person. The show starts at 7:30 pm but come as early as 6 pm if you're interested in ordering a bite to eat from the ComedySportz menu ([www.cszmke.com](http://www.cszmke.com)). Purchase of food or drink are not required but are available before and during the show. NOTE: if you plan on joining the group for dinner, let Cindy know so she knows how many seats to save in the pub. Plenty of FREE parking in the lot. Registration is limited to 25 and deadline is April 25th. Sorry, NO late registrations. Use form on page 7. Contact Cindy with questions & to save a seat for dinner (414-416-4143 or ccrn980@gmail.com).

## May Fish Fry

Friday, May 8 | 4:30 PM

Double Ds Sports Bar and Grill 5171 S 108TH St, Hales Corners

Your choice of Fish Tacos (\$22.00), Breaded Perch (\$23.00), or Baked Cod (\$20.00). Fish Tacos come with Chips & Salsa, Perch and Cod entrees come with Coleslaw, Rye Bread and choice of Tator-Tots or Potato Pancakes. All meals include a choice of dessert cake: Chocolate, Carrot or Cheese. Make your selections on the registration form on page 7. Register by April 23rd. Seating is limited to 45. SORRY, NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED, NO EXCEPTIONS! Contact Diana Yegge (951-452-9087 or 5dnyegge@gmail.com) with questions.



# Registration Forms

## January Social Gathering



## March Fish Fry

**Friday, March 20, 2026 | 4:30pm**

Machine Shed N14W24145 Tower Place, Waukesha

**Limit ONE person per registration form, please.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For Confirmation (call/text/email to): \_\_\_\_\_

Buffet - \$27.00 per person

Entrée Cost Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*Prices include tax and gratuity.

Seating is limited to 50; Deadline for registration is March 10, 2026.

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED; SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Mail reservation form and payment made payable to "WOW" to:

Betty Liebau  
W146N8313 Schlafer Drive  
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

OR register at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.  
WOW policy does not provide refunds for cancellations.

## April Fish Fry

**Thursday, April 16, 2026 | 4:30pm**

Hickory Sticks Restaurant at Morningside Golfer's Club

S77W26285 Prairieside Dr, Waukesha WI 53189

**Limit ONE person per registration form, please.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For Confirmation (call/text/email to): \_\_\_\_\_

**Entre' Choice - Check One:**

\_\_\_\_ Beer Battered Cod (\$23.00)

\_\_\_\_ Baked Cod (\$24.00)

**Potato Choice - Check One:**

\_\_\_\_ Baked Potato

\_\_\_\_ French Fries

Entrée Cost Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*Prices include tax and gratuity.

Deadline for registration is April 6, 2026. Seating limited to 60.

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED; SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Mail reservation form and payment made payable to "WOW" to:

Mary Piekarski  
S66W24310 Skyline Ave  
Waukesha, WI 53189

OR register at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.  
WOW policy does not provide refunds for cancellations.

## Saturday Walking Group

# Registration Forms



## March Birthdays!

- 1 Paul Sroka
- 2 Lynn Howard
- 3 Miriam Dragosz
- 4 Marlene Kappel
- 5 Iva Richards
- 11 Julie Savage
- 11 Marlene Seynhoven
- 14 Harlan Mueller
- 15 Lynn Marzinski
- 23 Patricia Ellingson
- 24 Charon Lohman
- 30 Joanne Tlachac-Hehn
- 31 Pat Joschko



Celebrating January Birthdays

### ComedySportz – An Evening of Laughter

**Saturday, May 2, 2026 | 7:30pm**

ComedySportz 420 S 1st Street, Milwaukee

**Limit ONE person per registration form, please.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For Confirmation (call/text/email to): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ 7:30 PM Show (\$12.00)

\_\_\_ I plan on joining in for dinner at the venue (please save me a seat!)

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*Prices include tax and gratuity.

Deadline for registration is April 25, 2026. Seating limited to 25.

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED; SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Mail reservation form and payment made payable to "WOW" to:

Cindy Reed

4453 N. 69th St

Milwaukee WI 53218

OR register at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.

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### May Fish Fry

**Friday, May 8, 2026 | 4:30pm**

Double Ds Sports Bar and Grill 5171 S 108TH St, Hales Corners

**Limit ONE person per registration form, please.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

For Confirmation (call/text/email to): \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Be sure to Select 1 Entrée, 1 Side AND 1 Desert Choice:**

\_\_\_ Fish Taco w/Chips & Salsa (\$22)

\_\_\_ Breaded Perch (\$23) with side choice: \_\_\_ Tater-Tots or \_\_\_ Potato Pancake

\_\_\_ Baked Cod (\$20) with side choice: \_\_\_ Tater-Tots or \_\_\_ Potato Pancake

\_\_\_ Chocolate Cake \_\_\_ Carrot Cake \_\_\_ Cheesecake

Entrée Cost Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \*Prices include tax and gratuity.

Deadline for registration is April 23, 2026. Seating limited to 45.

**NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED; SORRY, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Mail reservation form and payment made payable to "WOW" to:

Diana Yegge

2036 S 105th St

West Allis, WI 53227

OR register at the monthly WOW Social Gathering.

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Milwaukee Widows or  
Widowers (WOW) Club

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Waukesha WI 53189

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WOW Club event  
information visit us at:  
[www.milwowclub.info](http://www.milwowclub.info)

## March Membership Dues Renewal Notice

The following members are scheduled to renew their membership dues this month. **Annual Dues are \$50.00 for members who receive the monthly newsletter via email or \$80.00 for those who prefer to receive it by the US Postal Service.** You may pay your membership dues at the monthly Social Gathering/General Meeting or mail a check made payable to "WOW Club" to Pamela Roy, 9329 W Fairlane Ct, Milwaukee, WI 53224. Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish to have your new membership card mailed to you, otherwise, you may pick it up at the registration table at the next Social Gathering.

Mark Balestreri  
Mary Brandis  
Patricia Ellingson  
Sandy Gast  
Kathy Haas

Bob Lawrence  
Maxine Mellantine  
Chris Millay  
Joyce Ottow  
Kathleen Radaj

Iva Richards  
Dan Rieck  
Mary Clare Trainor  
Patricia Wysocki

### Did you know???

- DID YOU KNOW that when you commit to hosting an event that calls for a "registration form" you don't have to worry about creating and printing the form?! Mary (newsletter & website editor) will create them and provide them at the Social Gatherings for people to register for your event! Easy-peasy!
- DID YOU KNOW that members are removed from the membership roster after 2 months of non-renewal? If you know you will be late renewing your membership, just contact Pam Roy (our Membership Chairperson) to let her know.