WOW Newsletter

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

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President's Message

Welcome, members and guests. Autumn is officially here and the colors are fantastic!

Another Thank you to our Hosts and Hostesses who organize our activities. This month we have 19 activities out of 30 calendar days. If you have an idea for an event, but don't have any idea how to go about organizing it, feel free to contact Cindy Reed, our Social Coordinator. She will help to walk you through the process. It's really not hard at all. These varied activities are a lifesaver to many of us widows and widowers.

VERY IMPORTANT - Please take note of the special message outlined below regarding the Social Gathering meeting days, dates and times over the next several months.

Remember that there is an information binder, containing a roster of members listed by city, our Club By-Laws, recent Board of Directors meeting minutes, monthly Treasurer's reports and a copy of the latest Newsletter inside. The list of members by city is meant to assist members to plan carpooling as the weather gets colder.

Stay safe and see you soon!!

~Diana Yegge

President

NOTE: Temporary Social Gathering Changes



Due to the upcoming holidays, our venue's availability and shorter daylight hours over the winter months, mark your calendars with the following Social Gathering changes:

Thursday, November 19th at 6:30pm
Thursday, December 17th at 1:00pm
Wednesday, January 20th at 1:00pm
Wednesday, February 24th at 1:00pm
Wednesday, March 24th at 6:30pm



Movie Fridays

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WOW Events & Activities – November 2026

Breakfast Together **Monday, Nov 2 | 10 AM - Noon**

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 1st Monday of every month).

Play Mahjong **Monday, Nov 2 | 4:30 PM**

Menomonee Falls Library W156N8436 Pilgrim Rd, Menomonee Falls

We need and welcome additional mahjong games. Bring your 2026 cards and 2025 cards as a backup. Bring a sack dinner or cold snacks/appetizers. A second-floor cafe in the library offers food that can be consumed in the room. This venue gives our members a second geographic location to play. Contact Sue Siewert (414-813-0091 or sue.siewert55@gmail.com).

Friday Movie **Friday, Nov 6 | TBD**

Location TBD

This Friday's movie is to be determined. Stay tuned and watch your emails. We try to pick movies that start between 1:00 & 3:00 PM, as we often go out to dinner afterwards. We hope to see many of you there to share in the fun and camaraderie! (Happens the first Friday of the month Oct. thru April). Contact Dave (262-622-2448) or Juli (414-339-1107) with questions.

Saturday Game Afternoon **Saturday, Nov 7 | 12:00 PM**

Martin Luther Lutheran Church, 9235 W Bluemound Rd, Milwaukee

Join for an afternoon of fellowship, game playing, snacks and laughter. Cards are provided for card games (Poker, Sheepshead, "May I" and "Hand, Foot & Toe"). Dominoes, Cribbage, and Sequence will also be available or bring your own games. There is a $4 fee ($3 will be donated to the church and $1 is used for supplies). Bring a snack to share (optional) and bring your own beverage(s). Any questions call Sandy Gast 262-349-0388

Packer Football Watch Party 

Sunday, Nov 8 | 3:15 PM

Bullwinkle's at the Galleria 18900 W Bluemound Rd, Brookfield

Come and cheer for the Green Bay Packers with your WOW friends! The Packers will be playing at the Patriots this Sunday afternoon. Currently the game starts at 3:25pm (but could be subject to change). Remember to wear your jerseys and cheeseheads! Please let organizers know if you are coming so they can make sure to reserve enough table seating for everyone - Deb (262-490-5870/debjochims@gmail.com) or Peg (262-424-7132/moettinger81@gmail.com).

Bowling **Monday, Nov 9| 12:30 PM – 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 of the month, October through April)

Learn to Play Mahjong **Wednesday, Nov 11 | 1 PM – 4 PM**

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

Hosts will be available to teach the basics and to share their passion for the game. We meet in the same space as "Pizza Night." All levels of players are welcome, especially those new to the game. No registration or fee required. Games, cards, written instructions and suggestions for practice will be provided. Call/Text Phyllis (262-894-9619) or Sue (414-813-0091) with questions. (Happens the 2nd Wednesday of every month)

Pizza Night **Wednesday, Nov 11 | 4:30 PM**

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

Check-in begins at 4:30 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 Social Gathering OR text/call one of the Pizza hosts (Diane 414-587-3448 or Julie 414-477-0410). 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. "No shows" will be charged.

November Fish Fry **Friday, Nov 13 | 4:30 PM**

Mo's Irish Pub 10842 W Bluemound Rd, Wauwatosa

Gathering starts at 4:30 pm with meal served around 5 pm. Choose from FRIED or BAKED Cod at $23. Side dish selections are French fries or soup (tomato bisque or chicken dumpling). We will be in the "Library Room." Make your selection on the registration form and submit at the next Social Gathering or mail to the address on the form. Contact Cindy Reed at 414-416-4143 with any questions. Hosted by Cindy Reed & Jim McMahon.

Walking Club **Saturday, Nov 14 | 10:00 AM**

Mitchell Park Pavilion 3140 Mitchell Park Dr, Brookfield

Let's get some exercise and get some fresh air with our WOW friends for an approximate 1 hours walk on paved trails! Meet at the Mitchell Park Pavillion. Afterwards, join us for brunch at Maxim's (18025 W Capital Dr, Brookfield). Please RSVP to Mary Ann at mworgull@sbcglobal.net or 262-844-0414.

Breakfast Together **Tuesday, Nov 17 | 10 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 3rd Tuesday of every month).

Taco Tuesday & Bingo **Tuesday, Nov 17 | 1 PM to 3:30 PM**

Bullwinkle's at the Galleria 18900 W Bluemound Rd, Brookfield

Come and join the fun of Bingo and Taco Tuesday! New games and new ways to win! Chicken or Beef tacos ($2.50 each or order off the menu). The first game will start while food is being prepared then we will continue Bingo after eating. Some cards will be $1.00/card (3 cards max/person) and some will be $2,00/card each) or 3 for $5.00 (max 3 cards). Please contact Rick Pfau (414-573-4518, ropjmp@gmail.com) or Diana Yegge (951-452-9087, 5dnyegge@gmail.com) Please text or call event host to let them know you are coming!

WOW Events & Activities – November 2026

Board Meeting **Wednesday, Nov 18 | 10 AM – Noon**

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 3rd Wednesday of every month)

Sip'n Dip **Wednesday, Nov 18 | 2 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 3rd Wednesday of every month).

WOW Book Club **Thursday, Nov 19 | 1 PM – 3 PM**

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

This month we will read *Be Ready When the Luck Happens* by Ina Garten. A long-awaited memoir by Ina Garten shares her personal story with readers hungry for a seat at her table. Ina presents an inspiring account in making all things food prep and presentation look easy. We can learn important life's lessons she will share with us. We always welcome new members! Join 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, but feel free to contact Sue at sue.siewert55@gmail.com or 414-813-0091. (Happens the 4th Thursday of every month).

General Meeting & Social Gathering **Thursday, Nov 19 | 6:30 PM**

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

NOTE: This meeting will be held a week prior to and on a different day than normal due to room availability and the Thanksgiving Holiday. Following the short meeting we will be giving recognition to all of our military veterans with the Marine Corps Color Guard Ceremony, then an hour of casino style games and a horse race, followed by an hour of sing-along music with dancing. Turkey attire is accepted and encouraged. Water is provided. Other beverages may be purchased at the bar (cash only). There is an ATM 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.

Bowling **Monday, Nov 23 | 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM**

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

(See November 9th event listing for details)

Walking Club **Saturday, Nov 28| 10 AM – 11 AM**

Mitchell Park Pavilion 3140 Mitchell Park Dr, Brookfield

(See November 14th event for details)

WOW Events & Activities – December 2026

Annual Christmas Party Dinner & Dance **Sunday, December 6 | 5:00 PM – 9:00 PM**

Davians N56W16300 Silver Spring Drive, Menomonee Falls

Join fellow WOW members as we celebrate our friendships and the Holidays! We will start the evening with cocktails at 5pm, then dinner at 6pm with dancing to follow until 9pm. Music will be provided by "CLOSE ENUF" playing pop hits from the 50's, 60's, & 70's.Menu choices this year are: TUSCAN CHICKEN - 6oz grilled chicken breast in a spinach and sun-dried tomato cream sauce for $42 or PORK TENDERLOIN - 8oz sliced pork medallions with balsamic and cherry demi-glaze for $50. Both entrees include crisp salad with mixed greens, cheese, dried cranberries & almonds with balsamic vinaigrette, brown butter green beans, and garlic mashed potatoes. Fresh bread, butter and decaf coffee will be on every table. Regular coffee and tea will be available upon request. After dinner, we will have cake! Price includes entree, tax, service charge, and bartender fee. Registration deadline is November 20th. Seating is limited to 120. Call or Text Cindy Reed with any questions or DIETARY CONCERNS at 414-416-4143. Ample parking is available. Please feel free to notify Cindy if physical assistance is needed to access the venue. Please dress business casual or better.



Mini Golf

September Social Gathering Photos



November Birthdays

1 Karen Hofmeister
2 Joyce (Joy) Walter
3 Diane Moraza
6 Sue Johnson
6 Betty Liebau
7 Casey Brand
8 Dan Cox
12 Wayne Nettesheim
13 Charles Keaton
13 Cynthia Massa
15 Daniel Herrell
15 Jim Michaels
15 Ruth Ingraham
17 Vivian Nelson
20 Mary Karfonta
20 Diane Krolnik
21 Jackie Bach
22 Terry Buckley
28 Mary Jo Jankovich
29 Debbie Pluskota























Registration Forms

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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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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!"

Dale Jackson
Ralph Berginz
Kathy Mateicka
Casey Brand
Robert Budgins

Annual Christmas Party Dinner & Dance
Sunday, December 6, 2026 | 5:00pm

Davians N56W16300 Silver Spring Dr, Menomonee Falls

Limit ONE person per registration form, please.

Name: _____

How Should Host Contact you w/Confirmation? (circle one & complete)

Text: _____ **- OR - Phone Call:** _____

Email: _____ **- OR - No Confirmation Necessary**

Entree' Choice:

____ Tuscan Chicken ($42)

____ Pork Tenderloin ($50)

Entrée Cost Enclosed $_____ *Prices include tax and gratuity.
Maximum Seating 120; Deadline for registration is November 20, 2026. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Register at the monthly WOW Social Gathering or mail form and payment payable to "**WOW**" to:

Pamela Roy
W197N4950 Hickory St Apt 270
Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

WOW policy does not provide refunds for cancellations.



Bowling

Milwaukee Widows or
Widowers (WOW) Club

3905 S Five Iron Ct
New Berlin WI 53151

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For the most up-to-date WOW Club event information visit us at: www.milwwowclub.info

November 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 can pay your membership dues at the monthly Social Gathering/General Meeting or mail a check made payable to "WOW Club" to Pamela Roy, W197N4950 Hickory St Apt 270, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051. 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.

Mary Ann Alberti-Kopps
Lorrayne Duginski
Gary Durham
Debbie Endres
Robert Hayd
Dave Hoag
Karen Hofmeister
Ruth Ingraham
Marlene Kappel
Mary Karfonta
Diane Krolnik
Charon Lohman
Tony Madrigal
Jim McMahon
Richard Pfau
Corky Plewa
Paul Sroka
Joanne Tlachac-Hehn
April Truman







Walking & Biking Groups