



The Banner

Central Montgomery County Business and Professional Women's Club

Volume XCI – October - December 2017

State Theme: Bridge to the Future ♦ District Theme: Sowing Seeds for Success

Next Meeting – Thursday, October 19, 2017

Peppers Italian Restaurant

239 Town Center Road ♦ Valley Forge Center ♦ Route 202 ♦ King of Prussia, PA

Networking: 6-6:30 pm ♦ Dinner: 6:30 p.m. ♦ Cost: \$27.00

Please make your Dinner reservation by October 15th ♦ Call Pat Angelucci 215-661-2949

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2017 – 2018**

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President's Message

Dear Members and Friends of CMC BPW,

In 1928, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs started the first Business Women's Week. By 1938, the third week of October was declared NBWW and next Thursday we are carrying on this tradition of honoring "a better business woman for a better business world." CMC member Patricia Klemp, owner and founder of Crayon Kids Daycare in Norristown, humbly (and a little reluctantly) accepted our Employer of the Year award!

I have known Patti (née Dallas) for over 40 years since she unwittingly stole my boyfriend at Germantown Academy's day camp. It wasn't her fault. She was special and attracted a lot of admirers, myself included! It is no surprise to me, or to others who also love her, that she is able to be a successful business owner while maintaining being a loving, involved and wickedly funny parent, spouse, sister, mentor and friend.

Patti has dedicated her career to babies and toddlers and we hope you come on the 19th to hear her inspirational journey and wish her well.

Next week CMC also welcomes our District 11 Director, Joanne Hersh, for her Official Visit. We will hear from her about our district's progress and plans for the year.

I enjoyed "getting to know you" at our September kick-off to our 90th year as the Voice of Working Women and I am looking forward to seeing you on Thursday. Just like at day camp, the Dallas clan is en force next week and I can't wait! Patti comes from a beautiful, LARGE family and we have the big room at Peppers!

Regards,
Becky Shoulberg

October Dinner Meeting

Entree Choices

- Chicken Marsala
- Crab Cakes
- Meat Lasagna

Dessert

Sally Shaw & Pat Angelucci

Donation Baskets

- Patrician Society (food bank)
- Our Clubhouse (support for those touched by cancer) – State Project

Raffle Basket Prize

The Capital Grille gift card

November Dinner Meeting

Entree Choices

- Beef burgundy
- Broiled salmon (dill sauce optional)
- Penne pasta with peppers and chicken

Dessert

Donated by
Suzy Jo Donuts

Donation Baskets

- BPW PA Political Action Committee (PAC)
- Our Clubhouse (support for those touched by cancer) – State Project

Raffle Basket Prize

Ruth's Chris Steak House gift card

October Dinner Meeting Program:

Employer of the Year: Crayon Kids Daycare

November Dinner Meeting Program:

Bridge to the Future –
PA Secretary of Transportation Leslie S. Richards

December Dinner Meeting Program:

Holiday BINGO Party

Committee News

Finance – Bonnie Dudley

The proposed 2017-2018 Budget is attached to the e-mail for *The Banner* this month. It was presented at the September meeting; we will vote on it at this month's meeting.

Membership – Noreen Morello

Welcome to the new members inducted at the September meeting! All members: see Noreen for your copy of the directory if you did not pick it up at the September meeting. Let her know of any changes to your listing. For privacy reasons, we will send changes in a separate attachment rather than printing them in *The Banner*.

Banner- Priscilla Brandon

This issue is our first **quarterly** version, being done on a trial basis in 2017-2018.

In place of *The Banner*, members will receive monthly flyers via e-mail about the upcoming meeting and Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce events. Members without internet access or e-mail will be notified by mail or telephone.

See the expanded coverage of club activities on our web site and Facebook pages: www.centralmontgomerycountybpw.org/ (same name for Facebook).

Eleanor Knoke Award – Nancy Werner

The July 1, 2017 – June 18, 2018 Volunteer Hours form is attached to the e-mail with *The Banner*. You can send monthly tallies or collect your hours for longer periods but be sure to send them to Nancy for her to compile so our club can be considered for this District 11 award.

Ways and Means – Norma Zarfoss

We are selling items from Mixed Bags again this year to help fund our scholarship at Montgomery County Community College. Catalogs were distributed at September's meeting. Didn't get the catalogs? You can find them online at <http://myfundraiser.mixedbagdesigns.com/catalogs>. **Please bring your orders to this month's meeting.** Pick-up and payment will be at the November meeting.

The lottery ticket raffle will be held in February. Buy a ticket with two pre-printed 3-digit numbers on it. If the PA Lottery number drawn at 7 PM any day in February exactly matches either of your numbers, you win \$25! ♥ Bonus winning if you match on Valentine's Day. ♥ Tickets available at the November meeting.



December Holiday Party – Wednesday is Ladies' Night BINGO!!

Our holiday party this year will be out of the ordinary – *it'll be extraordinary!!*

Bring family and friends with you to the 1950's-themed JEM Restaurant, Swede Square Shopping Center (Swede Road & Germantown Pike) in East Norriton, on **Wednesday, December 13, 6 PM** for a fun-filled evening of BINGO!

Game prizes include gift cards and other items from local merchants (average value \$40) – each round. Separate raffles will offer some GREAT items: TWO hotel stays plus limousine ride in Valley Forge Park; Kiehl's skincare from the counter in Neiman Marcus at King of Prussia Plaza. Win a nice gift to treat yourself or pick up a holiday gift for someone on your list!

All this exciting and new activity will not, however, keep us from celebrating our tradition of "decorating" the table-top Christmas tree with our individual cash donations for the Patients' Fund at Norristown State Hospital.

Proceeds go toward our scholarship fund and community outreach projects. We'll be inviting "the regulars" from Ladies' Night Bingo at JEM to join us in supporting these worthy ventures.

Ticket price of **\$30** includes a spaghetti-and-meatball dinner with soup, salad, bread, and beverage – with dessert provided by Suzy Jo Donuts and Corropolese Bakery - as well as a card for 10 rounds of Bingo. **Tickets will be sold at our November meeting.**

District News

District Eleven's Fall Meeting will be held Saturday October 28, 8:30 AM – 12 noon, at the Montgomery Township Community & Recreation Center, \$19 (breakfast buffet \$16 plus registration fee \$3). See the official call to the meeting, attached to the e-mail sending this issue of *The Banner*, for further details.

If you plan to attend, please make your **reservation through CMC Treasurer Noreen Morello** (instead of as

instructed on the Call) – you will now have to pay an **additional \$2 late fee.**



Happy Birthday!

October

6 - Jeanne Arzberger
12 - Noreen Morello

November

4 - Carol-Lynn Moran
7 - Patricia Klemp
14 - Becky Shoulberg
23 - E. Pearl Smith
27 - Barbara Jean Maresca

December

7 - Maria Mastrosante
23 - Maura Gillen

Other Noteworthy News

2017 Women & Leadership Forum: Embracing Your Journey to Success –

December 6, 8 AM – 2:30 PM, The Presidential, East Norriton. Cost \$70 includes breakfast, 3 speakers, luncheon presenting Woman of Distinction Award to the Honorable Cheryl Austin (CMC BPW's Woman of the Year 2016-2017), and follow-up workshop programming in 2018. Presented by The Montgomery County Foundation, Inc. Seats are still available but space is limited. Additional information is available at execoffice@mcfoundationinc.org or call (484) 532-7387.

Welcome, New Members!



L to R: Amy Kokoles, Membership Chair Noreen Morello, Maura Gillen, Maryann Buser, President Becky Shoulberg

PA Conference for Women - October 3, 2017



Pres. Becky and VP Sue Soriano staffing the BPW PA table

Our Nike - Restored



Past President Norma Zarfoss presents our Nike she had restored for us to President Becky

Editor's Note, September Issue Photo: Those BPW members selling items at the Selma Mansion Flea Market are Maryann Buser and Sue Soriano

Dates to Remember

October

- 19 – CMC BPW Dinner Meeting
- 28 – District XI Fall Meeting
- 31 – Halloween
 - Last Day to Apply for (civilian) Absentee Ballot for November election

November

- 1 – CMC BPW Board Meeting
- 3 – Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted civilian absentee ballots
- 5 – Daylight Saving Time Ends; Return to Standard Time (“fall back” 1 hour)
- 7 – Election Day (Municipal)
- 11 – Veterans Day
- 16 – CMC BPW Dinner Meeting
- 23 – Thanksgiving

December

- 12 - Hanukkah (begins at sundown; through December 20)
- 13 – CMC BPW Dinner Meeting at JEM Restaurant, East Norriton
- 21 – Winter Solstice
- 24 – Christmas Eve
- 25 - Christmas Day
- 26 – Kwanzaa (through January 1)
- 31 – New Year's Eve