



## WINTER 2020 NEWSLETTER

### BRRRRRRRing it on!

**Happy old year.** 2019 was certainly something to celebrate here in the epicenter of celebrating. Connecting with each other, with our interests, community and the many nearby cultural opportunities kept us doing what we do best: being a vibrant, close-knit neighborhood. But none of this happened without planning and hard work. Thank you to the members who generously volunteered to lead us throughout the year with their time and ideas.

#### Parties

- Welcome Back Wine & Cheese @ Emily Goetzman's home. Co-Chaired by Catie Meyer and Rita Meyer
- Blocktail Party. Co-Chaired by Gayla Reed and Tucker Taylor
- Holiday Party @ Ellen Walter's home. Co-Chaired by Anne Donohue, Lyn Loveng and Alison Teer
- Greens Workshop. Chaired by Jan Routh

#### Cultural Events

- Co-Chaired by Alison Christmas and Betsy Regnell
  - Newseum Farewell Tour
  - Bible Museum Tour

#### Coat, Hat, Mitten & Gift Drive for United Community

- Co-Chaired by Janet Price and Molly Singerling

**A tini bit more fun. Wintertini 2020** happens Friday, Feb. 7, 7pm to 11pm, at the home of Ann Scully. Save the date and watch your email for the Paperless post invite so you can RSVP.

#### Resolve to visit our website and Facebook page.

Go to [www.bellehavenwomensclub.com](http://www.bellehavenwomensclub.com) You only need a password (bhwc22307) to access the directory. Check out the Facebook page to enjoy pictures from all Fall events.

Kim Gess  
President

Lisa Lawrence  
Vice-President

## 2020 WINTER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### January 2020

**Monday, January 6**  
7:00pm

**BHWC Board Meeting**  
At the home of Erin Barry

**Tuesday, January 14**  
10:00am

**Community Outreach Meeting**  
At the home of Susan Golightly

### February 2020

**Monday, February 3**  
7:00pm

**BHWC Board Meeting**  
At the home of Vicki Coward

**Friday, February 7**  
7:00-11:00pm

**Wintertini**  
At the home Ann and Tom Scully  
Chairs: Karen Harriman & Cate Hinko

**Tuesday, February 11**  
10:00am

**Community Outreach Meeting**  
Speaker – Alison DeCoursey,  
Executive Director, United Community  
At BHCC

**Tuesday, February 25**  
10:30am

**Cultural Event**  
National Gallery of Art  
17<sup>th</sup> Century Dutch Paintings  
Docent – Jennifer Jacobs

### March 2020

**Monday, March 2**  
7:00pm

**BHWC Board Meeting**  
At the home of Eleni Silverman

**Saturday, March 7**  
4:30pm

**St. Patrick's Day Parade**  
Chair: Michelle Gibbons

**Saturday, March 7**  
4:30pm

**Community Outreach**  
Collecting non-perishable food for UCM

**Saturday, March 7**  
4:30pm

**Young Members**  
Collecting diapers for The Campagna Center

**Tuesday, March 10**  
10:00am

**Community Outreach Meeting**  
At the home of Maria Moux

**Wednesday, March 18**  
9:30-3:00pm

**Field trip to U.S. Botanical Gardens**  
Details of event on the BHWC website

## Welcome our New BHWC Members

Heather Rosecrans  
6103 Vernon Terrace

## Thank You Note

This behind-the-scenes hero is actually way out front. Not only did Vicki Coward lasso us into the 21<sup>st</sup> century by formalizing our nonprofit social club status and implementing the convenience of PayPal. But she has served BHWC uninterruptedly for years as the Membership chair and remains the empress of RSVPs for practically every event. "Ask Vicki" is the answer to most any question about our club. But wait, there's more: she also served the Belle Haven Citizens' Association as Welcoming Chair and is currently their liaison to BHWC. Thank you, Vicki!

## Garden Club

*The Belle Haven Garden Club* will resume its meetings in March 2020 with a tour of the U.S. Botanical Gardens on Wednesday, March 18. BHWC members can always find information on upcoming tours, helpful gardening hints, and information on "gardeny" events around town at [www.bellehavengardenclub.com](http://www.bellehavengardenclub.com)

## Community Outreach

Thank you for your plentiful coffee donations to show our appreciation for the Fairfax County Fire – Penn Daw Station 11 fire and rescue squads who protect us day and night.

*The Community Outreach section* of the BHWC held our festive holiday luncheon on December 10, 2019. Warm friendships and delicious food were enjoyed by all who attended.

On Feb. 11, we welcome guest speaker Alison DeCoursey, Executive Director of United Community, at BHCC. We have secured a private room.

At the St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 7, we will collect nonperishable food for UCM and diapers for the Campagna Center. We thank the entire neighborhood in advance for continuing to enthusiastically supporting this endeavor through the years.

## Cultural Events

Join BHWC on Tuesday, February 25, from 10:30am to noon for a private tour at the National Gallery of Art's West Wing. Jennifer Jacobs, a neighbor, member and NGA docent with more than 20 years of

museum experience, will lead our private tour of the Dutch galleries. The tour will include predominantly portraits, genre, landscapes and seascapes from 17th century Dutch life.

Known as the Golden Age, this gilded period in art offers some of the finest oil paintings in the world. Highlights and artists will include Rembrandt, Vermeer, Frans Hals and Aelbert Cuyp.

Space is limited to 30 guests. Please respond to Betsy Regnell ([betsy.regnell@gmail.com](mailto:betsy.regnell@gmail.com)) to reserve your spot. Once confirmed, logistical details will be shared. For more information on the Gallery, visit [www.nga.gov](http://www.nga.gov).

## **Records and Archives News**

BHWC has an incredible history with a devoted community. An illustrated book, *The Belle Haven Women's Club: A Social History of the Community*, is available for purchase for \$10. Contact Kim Gess at [jkgess@yahoo.com](mailto:jkgess@yahoo.com) if you are interested in purchasing this keepsake.