



Club Focus

FALL 2013



Pat Dowling
President
BPW Brampton

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President's Message Pat Dowling

*W*elcome back **BPW Brampton!** It is hard to believe that summer has come and gone and Fall is upon us. We were sad to lose two members this past summer – Anne Felesko who was a member for over 57 years and Marcia Barhydt a member for 2 years. Our thoughts are with their families and we will remember both Anne and Marcia fondly.

Part of our BPW mandate is to making changes for women on all levels of Government – Municipal, Provincial, National and International. We participate in creating and supporting Resolutions that will be brought forward, debated and voted on to ensure that we continue to seek the improvement of economic, political, employment and social conditions for women around the world. Olga Gil, our Resolutions Chair, is looking for volunteers, and more importantly, ideas on what Resolutions the Brampton Club can submit for the upcoming Provincial Conference and National Convention. Please contact her to share your ideas and see how Resolutions are created.

Our District 3 Annual General Meeting is on Saturday, October 19, 2013 at North China Buffet in St. Catherines. Doris Hall, past National President will be speaking about International Congress; we hope you can attend this day.

We have a wonderful Programs schedule with October hosting Lezlie Harper Wells discussing the History of the Underground Railroad; November has Peel Police Chief Jennifer Evans speaking on Anti-Bullying; our Christmas Social in December with our 'Gift Stealing Game', and in January we have Pattie Lovett Reid – TV personality, author and a respected Canadian financial guru.

We had another successful Charity Golf Tournament in June, 2013 and with the support of Scotiabank's 'Bright Future Program', we raised \$14,700.00.

Our next event is our 13th Progressive Charity Euchre Night on Friday, November 1, 2013 at the Brampton Irish Centre. Open to guys and gals, it will be another great night out with proceeds going to Ste. Louise Outreach Centre & Food Bank.

Congratulations
Brampton on being such an amazing Club with so much heart, determination and dedication. I am privileged to serve as your President for another term and the upcoming year promises to be another smashing success!



Events 2013 Pat Dowling



GOLF

On Thursday, June 13th we had our **18th Annual Charity Golf Event** that was held at Caledon Golf Club. We had 102 golfers, 31 hole sponsors, an

additional 24 dinners only and 10 trade table vendors. We had a great day of golf and lots of fun. We had a great evening and with our raffle prizes and live auctions, we are pleased to announce that we raised \$9,700.00. In addition to this, Scotiabank presented an additional \$5,000.00 from their Bright Futures Program for a total of \$14,700.00.

At our September meeting, we had our five recipients present to receive our donations. We are booked for next year's tournament on **Thursday, June 12, 2014 at Caledon Golf Club.**



*Your Donations
are Appreciated...*

EUCHRE Barb Hore



Our next Euchre Tournament will be held at the Brampton Irish Centre, 20 Strathearn Drive in Brampton (Dixie/Steeles area) on November 1st.

**Doors open at 6:30.
We start to play promptly at 7:30 p.m.**

**Tickets can be purchased from Linda Barker by contacting her at LBarker@talentcor.com.
Tickets are \$20.00 each (with no refunds available).**

We are supporting St. Louise Outreach Centre of Peel & Food Bank. Donations of non-perishable food items are always welcome.

As usual, we are depending on our members for prizes for the raffle table and food donations. We are in need of many volunteers to assist throughout the evening. Please contact either Pat Dowling or myself if you can help.

BPW International Snigdha Malik



**Following is a Message from
BPW International President, Freda Miriklis**

**What the World Needs Now is Leadership
and the Time to Lead is Now.**

The International Federation of Business and Professional Women (BPW International) is an influential international network of business and professional women from over 100 countries in 5 continents with Consultative Status at ECOSOC/United Nations. Founded in 1930, BPW International has advocated for workplace equality, the right to vote, equal pay and represents women in the economy and women in leadership, power and decision making roles.

BPW International is bringing the voice of women to business by leading the awareness of the Women's Empowerment Principles: Equality Means Business;

Equal Pay Day Campaigns and bringing greater economic benefit to women entrepreneurs through the Global Platform for Action on Sourcing from Women Vendors.

No economy can afford to exclude women. We must all find ways to increase women's participation in the economy and access to markets. By enhancing the efficiency and productivity of women-owned businesses we are supporting greater competitiveness and growth of our economies - community, national and global.

Empowering women is an important aspect of next year's Commission on the Status of Women and BPW International is advocating for the inclusion of strong gender language in the High Level Panel report to the UN Secretary-General. BPW International supports current statements that cover important aspects like health, education, and violence against women. Our statement will also address the economic empowerment of women and ensure its inclusion in the post-2015 Development Goals.

Community Partners Pat Dowling

Following are the five organizations that received the funds from our Golf Tournament.

- 'Walk With Me' - A Human Trafficking Survivors Program
- Salvation Army / Honeychurch (Women's Shelter)
- Hope Place (Formerly the Sexual Assault/ Rape Crisis Centre of Peel)
- Wellspring Chinguacousy Cancer Support Centre
- Ste. Louise Outreach Centre & Food Bank



Programs Camilla Bignell

Please review the Dates to Remember list of details on Page 6 of the Club Focus to mark your calendars for upcoming events and meetings.

BPW Service Pins Awards

Karen Armstrong

*C*ongratulations to our club members who received their BPW Service Pins Awards at our September meeting.



20 Years: Carol Kollar, Irma Dafoe



10 Years: Karen Armstrong, Marlene George, Sheila Walker, Jean Edwards (absent)



5 Years: Virginia Tamblyn, Mayor Susan Fennell (absent)

Member Interview *Karen Armstrong*

Marley Batenchuk

Professional Background:

*M*arley is the Fundraising Coordinator at Wellspring Chinguacousy. She has held this position for the last six months and is dedicated to helping those in our community who are living with cancer.



Marley has a range of experience in Fundraising Development, Event Management and Community Engagement. She has great passion and dedication to the non-profit sector. Marley has had the opportunity to work in a variety of charitable organizations including Community Living Mississauga, The Vaughan Health Care Foundation and SmartRisk. Her work through fundraising has allowed for many individuals and families to receive the support they require.

Marley is an active member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and has a Business Management diploma from the Conestoga Institute of Technology and Advance Learning. Her passion for learning is evident as she is currently working towards her CFRE (Certified Fundraising Executive) designation.

Personal Background:

Marley lives with her family in Amaranth and enjoys volunteering in activities that support people, animals, and the environment.



Membership Corner

Karen Armstrong

*T*he leaves are changing colour rapidly and the temperature is dropping; however, BPW Brampton is heating up!



After our summer break, we are back in full swing and our Club continues to grow. I cannot believe how much energy and enthusiasm our chapter has!

As this is just the beginning of our season, now is a good time to bring out guests to meet our members and see what our Club is all about.

I would like to welcome all new members and hope you enjoy our monthly meetings planned for the upcoming year.

I hope everyone gets a chance to connect with these lovely ladies.

Special thanks to our members who have brought guests to our meetings. Because of you, our current membership is 50 strong.

Warm welcome goes out to:
Marley Batenchuk Angela McKinnon
Noreen Gill Tammy Elliott

Welcome back to:
Charmaine Partridge

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DARE**

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community with cancer

**BPW Brampton
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towards the
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campaign at our
September meeting!**



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2013-2014 Dates to Remember

SEPTEMBER 17

*It's Time to Get to Know
Our Community Partners*

OCTOBER 15

*Lezlie Harper Wells
The Underground Railroad*

NOVEMBER 1

*13th Progressive Charity Euchre
Event, Brampton Irish Centre*

NOVEMBER 19

*Police Chief Jennifer Evans
Anti-Bullying*

DECEMBER 10

*Christmas Social
Osso Bucco Restaurant*

JANUARY 21, 2014

*Pattie Lovett Reid
Get Real: Follow Your Own
Authenticity Track!*

FEBRUARY 18

*Dittie Voegele, Volunteering
Abroad, It's a Mystery Until
You Get There!*

MARCH 7

*14th Progressive Charity Euchre
Event, Brampton Irish Centre*

MARCH 18

TBD

APRIL 15

Olga Gil, Resolutions Meeting

MAY 20

*Annual General Meeting
& Elections*

JUNE 12

*19th Annual Charity Golf
Tournament, Caledon
Country Club*

JUNE 17

Social, Details to be Confirmed



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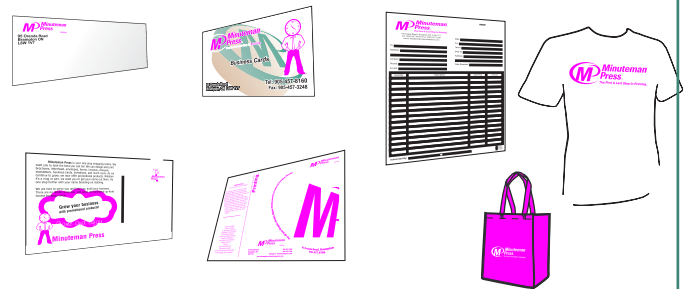
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