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UPCOMING EVENTS

General Meeting	11/12
Ring Bells at Schnuck's	11/22
Festival of Arts/Usher	12/07
Business After Hours	11/19
Christmas Party/Meeting	12/10

Our 2008-2009 Officers

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Public Relations

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Bev Virobik532-8430

Young Careerist/ID

Becky Ault533-4712



FROM THE PRESIDENT

I don't think I have ever seen a more beautiful fall. The colors of the leaves are so intense this year. We should enjoy this beautiful weather because the dreary days of winter will be here soon.

The weather was at its' fall best for BPW Week. And what a great week we had! Brenda Chesnek and Patty Brough out-did themselves.

Each event I attended was well planned and everyone had a great time. As I'm sure everyone knows by now, two of our members won the two BIG PRIZES - Woman of the Year, Becky Ault and Boss of the Year, Patty Brough. Congratulations to both of you. Centralia BPW is very proud!

We are a group of Women Helping Women as it has been evidenced during BPW Week even more than usual. Hand in Hand - Together We Can make a difference. Keep up the good work!

Sharon Sanders
President

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

The November 12th General Meeting will be moved to the Heritage Woods of Centralia at 2049 E McCord at the regular hour of 6 pm. Our program will be all about this beautiful new assisted living center and their plans for future expansion. They have a delicious meal planned for us of garden salad, turkey and dressing, carrots and a banana parfait for dessert. And the best news is this dinner will only cost **\$4.00**. So come join us at Heritage Woods.

Thanks! Jackie

SCHOLARSHIP SALAD LUNCHEON

The 2008 Scholarship Salad Luncheon was once again a rousing success! We served 248 diners with 17 of our members manning the kitchen and tables. 72% of our membership contributed salads or donated extra money to obtain crackers and supplies.

The proceeds break down as follows:

Gross receipts	\$1,699.00
Expenses – Bears Distributing	81.00
Net proceeds:	\$1,618.00



We were fortunate enough to have many items donated, such as napkins and cutlery. We must all remember to thank the members of Masonic Lodge 401 for their generous contribution of their facility, service items and beverages. Special thanks to Mr. Jim Vandeventer for his assistance with the beverages and trash disposal throughout the event.

Thank you to all of our members for your support!

Anna Humphrey & Beth Galicia
Chairs

Agenda

Welcome
Collect & Pledge
Introduction of Guests
Birthdays
Dinner
Business Meeting
Secretary's Report
Treasurer's Report
Presentation of Bills
Correspondence
Standing Committee Reports
Celia M. Howard/Foundation
Finance
Issues Management
Membership
Public Relations
Young Careerist
Special Committee Reports
BalloonFest
BPW Week
Cards/Memorials
Networking
NIKE
Scholarship Salad Luncheon
Old Business
Cultural Society Report
New Business
Interim Board

-- MEETING MINUTES --

Since the complete meeting minutes appear in the newsletter, there will be no copies on the tables at the Regular Meetings. So, bring your newsletter to the meeting if you feel you need to refer to them.

SIGN IN PLEASE!

The "sign-in" sheet is on the table as you enter the meeting room. Our membership awards are based on the record sheet, so please take a second to sign it no matter what time you arrive - it still counts!

CENTRALIA LO WEBSITE

<http://www.bpwcentralia.org>



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

Peggy Beal	11/06
Vicki Rodgers	11/06
Beth Galicia	11/07
Kathy Smith	11/09
Nancy James	11/10
Bev Virobik	11/11
Vickie McDaniel	11/19
Polly Hicks	11/21
Gloria Freels	11/29

HAPPY BPW ANNIVERSARY

Leona Jones	11/93
Gloria Freels	11/98
Jackie Gray	11/04

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

December 1, 2008
6:00 pm
Advanced Business Concepts/McKay's Hazmat
Hosted by Pam McKay



BELL RINGING FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

November 22, 2008
9:00a - 6:00p

Schnuck's (both ends)

A sign-up sheet will be available at the November meeting or you can call Michele at 533-8383 to ensure you get the time slot you want!

LEGISLATION

Sally Tiemann, Chair

THANK YOU FOR VOTING!!!



FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Centralia Cultural Society
December 7, 2008

Ushers/servers are needed to usher and serve refreshments at this event which "replaces" the annual Candlelight Concert. The doors open at 1:30p and the program begins at 2:00p

A sign-up sheet will be available at the November meeting or call Sharon Sanders if you are interested in helping.



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*Remember!! Wear your
nametag to all meetings! It
helps us to network better*

**NEED A NAMETAG??
Call Bess Wesling
533-2694**

DUES

Watch the mail for your coupon from National. **You should pay your dues directly to Signet Bank in the envelope provided.**

Members not paying by the due date will be dropped from the National database. So please try to pay on time.

Direct your questions to Bess Wesling, 5332694

Special Assignments

Alta McCullough
Joanetta Wood.....532-0765
BalloonFest
Karen Deering318-0753
Sylvia Mahle532-0545
BPW Week
Patty Brough533-3051
Brenda Chesnek485-6690
Bylaws
Beth Moore548-3446
Cards Memorials
Bev Virobik.....532-8430
Club Properties
Pam McKay533-1416
Guest Night
Karen Walsh533-1607
Maggie Irwin533-1975
Historian
Norma Rueter226-3238
Networking
Mary Ann Norton.....532-3613
Nancy Greene532-7968
Newsletter
Michele Garrison.....533-8383
NIKE
Ernestine Foster.....533-2329
Reality Store
Vickie McDaniel.....249-6678
Patty Brough533-3051
Scholarship Salad Luncheon
Anna Humphrey.....533-3900
Beth Galicia533-2167
Scholarships
Barb Norstrom.....533-0052
Website
Barb Norstrom.....533-0052

THANK YOU

Thanks to all who had any part in helping with BPW Week. We appreciate all the hard work it takes to make these events successful!

FALL CLEAN UP

Thank you to all who helped with the City-wide Clean Up!

THANK YOU NOTES.....

Thank You,
BPW's support to SAFE and of the services we provide for victims of sexual assault and their families in very much appreciated.

Thank you!
SAFE Staff

To BP Women's Club,
Thank you so much for sponsoring the "Outstand Women's Basketball" Award I received for the Annie's. I really appreciated it and I will sure miss being a CHS Annie. Thanks for your support

Sincerely
Bailee Winkler #50

Dear BPW Members,
Thank you so much for the honor of being your "2008 Boss of the Year" and the beautiful crystal clock. It has been a humbling yet awesome experience that I will cherish forever. I am so proud to be affiliated with this organization. You are truly the nicest group of ladies I have ever been involved with.

Thanks again,
Patty Brough

PURSES...PURSES...PURSES

S.A.F.E. needs your donations

We will be hosting a fundraising event during Olde Tyme Christmas Downtown Vandalia, Friday November 21, 2008 from 5-8p. Drop off your donations at 730 E. Second St., Centralia, 618 533-0475

We are also having the Annual SAFE Cheese Ball Fund Raiser. Available November 13 for only \$7.00 will be our 12oz Wisconsin Cheddar Cheese Balls. Order today!



DON'T FORGET TO RECYCLE!



BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

November 19, 2008
Rejeuvine MedSpa
5:00 - 7:00p

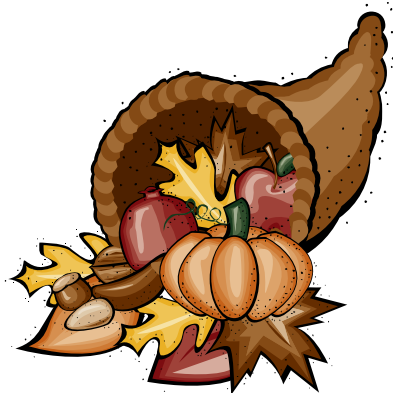
The newsletters are available
on our website at
www.bpwcentralia.org.

If you forget the web address,
just do a Google search for
Centralia BPW.
Barb Norstrom

GET WELL

Bob Virobik
Patty Hinton
Margie Shanafelt
Dolores Mabry
LaDonne Neudecker

WE ARE 62
MEMBERS STRONG



Centralia Business and Professional Women, Inc.

October General Meeting, October 8, 2008

Sharon Sanders, Presiding Officer

The regular meeting of the Centralia BPW was held at The Centralia House on October 8, 2008 with 27 members and 2 guests present. A quorum was present.

President Sharon Sanders called the business meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. after Bill Sprehe and Tom Hawkins discussed with the club the importance of voting yes on November 4th for the Marion County 1% sales tax increase, how this will help our schools and lower our property tax rate. Our guest speaker was State Senator John O. Jones; he gave an informational presentation of how a Bill becomes a Law in Illinois. The September minutes were approved as printed.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer, Sally Tiemann presented the September report.

Balloon Fest Fund	\$13,214.01
Education Fund	1,238.17
Alta McCullough Fund	16,337.23
General Assets	4,952.02
Total Assets	\$35,741.43

The Treasurer's Report was filed for audit.

Bills presented

Kathy Eifert, Postage Balloon-Fest Expense \$16.80

DuQuoin Ice, Balloon-Fest Expense \$1,710.00

A vote was not required for these were both budgeted items.

Correspondence – Beth Moore presented the following correspondence:

A Thank you from Bev & Bob Virobik for the cards and prayers.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance – Karen Rogers conducted the 50/50 drawing with the winner receiving \$13.00. The brag basket was also passed collecting \$18.00.

Issues Management – Jackie Gray reported that the November General meeting will be at Heritage Woods, there will be a tour and a presentation of services. She thought the cost would be \$4.00 but will need to confirm this.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Balloon Fest – Karen Deering reported we are just waiting for the Pepsi bill.

BPW Week – Brenda Chesnek went over the schedule of events for BPW Week. Friday is the deadline for the Brunch tickets and to dress casual for the Orchard extravaganza.

Cards & Memorials – Bev Virobik reported cards were sent to Michele Garrison, LaDonne Neudecker and Patty Hinton.

NIKE – Chloe Smith-Ferguson of the NIKE Club reported they have 22 members and they hope to have a successful year. She also stated she will be running for President of the Club. Sharon Sanders presented Chloe with a check to the NIKE Club from BPW.

Scholarship Salad Luncheon – Beth Galicia reported they still need a couple more workers for the event on the 24th. The sign up sheet is here and if you need more tickets contact her. She also has flyers to post. She will call if you are not down on the sign up sheet. She will accept donations towards the cracker fund.

OLD BUSINESS

Cultural Society Report – Holiday Festival of the Arts - Karen Walsh reported that she and Sharon Sanders have been attending the meetings. This event will be held at the Cultural Center, we need BPW members to usher and serve punch December 7th.

Region V Report - Sharon reported there were 7 members present. Lorraine Bassett, Anna Humphrey and herself from Centralia BPW. She also learned that to teach ID you must have completed 13 modules, so there will be no ID this year.

Recycle Center – Veneda Knolhoff reported there was a large amount of customers, kept very busy all morning.

NEW BUSINESS

BPW Tabloid - Sharon Sanders reported on what was discussed at the Board Meeting regarding the Centralia Sentinel requiring an exclusive right to the BPW Week Tabloid. Sharon reported the Board members were all called and an executive decision was made to give the Sentinel the exclusive. Patty Brough asked to speak to the general members regarding this; she felt we should look into doing our own Tabloid and making the money for our Club from this.

Presentations of Donations - Checks were presented tonight to SAFE, Pam Byrd accepting on behalf of and to PAVE, Tolleyne Ray accepting on behave.

Audit Committee – Sharon reported those assigned were Sylvia Mahle, Bev Virobik and Vickie McDaniel. The mid-year audit will be completed after November 3rd.

UP COMING EVENTS

October 13 – Proclamation for BPW with Mayor Becky Ault at 6 PM, will be on Channel 99.

October 18 – Fall Cleanup – 8:30 – 11:30 at Fairview Park.

October 19-24 BPW Week

There being nothing further to come before the club, President Sharon Sanders adjourned the business meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Deering, Recording Secretary



Happy
Thanksgiving!