

# KWN Community

December 2019  
Kenosha Women's  
Network

A Monthly Newsletter for members of Kenosha Women's Network

## Growing together, Rooted in the Community

### *A Note from our President*



Hello Members,

In this season of being thankful, there are many things that make my list. At the top of that list was the privilege of serving as your president for 2019.

There were a lot of initiatives that were put in place; ones that I hope will continue for years to come. There were the ever-popular Maven Monday and Wise-Up Wednesday. We worked with a local woman-owned business to revamp our website. This will be complete before the end of the year. The corporate sponsorship program, that began last year, has also been updated. While not all initiatives were able to be accomplished, I am certainly proud of the ones that are in process or have already been completed! 2020 will be here before you know it. In fact, in 41 days it will be here. Before that, in just 17 days, our Holiday luncheon will be here! There have been updates made to that as well; this year, we have delicate and delicious desserts donated by women-owned local businesses. There are many raffle prizes to give away. I am already excited for this year's event! Please invite your friends, clients, and prospects. This event is our biggest fundraiser of the year; the more people attend, the more raffle tickets you sell, the more we have to give away next year! I am hoping to have this be a record year in fundraising at this event. Please be active in inviting others to join us this year!

Our new board will be welcomed in at the "changing of the guard" at December's board meeting. I wish them a seamless transition, as they carry on our fine traditions, old and new. Please consider how you would like to keep helping our small but mighty organization into 2020.

I would like to personally thank all of those who reached out to me and offered their thoughts, well wishes, and most of all their prayers, for my brother, as he is in the biggest fight of his life. It means so much to me. Thank you!

Godspeed,

*Christine King*

The December meeting will be held at:

Kenosha Country Club  
500 13th Ave, Kenosha, on  
Friday, December 13, 2019  
11:30AM to 1:30PM.

This is our annual Holiday Luncheon and Grand Raffle. Tickets cost \$27.00 and must be purchased in advance. Go to: [Eventbrite](#) to buy your ticket by December 9th.

### *Our Mission:*

*To promote and encourage the professional and personal growth of our members in a supportive environment, where women's efforts are recognized and encouraged.*

### KWN Welcomes:

Stephanie Schnell,  
Procurement & Vendor  
Relations Manager,  
Platinum Systems

### Join us for the next Maven Monday!

The next Maven Monday will be on December 16th, 6-8pm at Mason's Pub and Eatery, 7000 74th Pl., Kenosha. Their web site is: <https://www.masonsbar.com/> if you want to know more. This casual event is open to members and non-members alike and there is no need to register. Just turn up and have fun!

### Wise-Up Wednesday

KWN's book club usually meets on the first Wednesday of the month but this month, we will meet on TUESDAY December 17th at the O, from 6 to 8pm. This month's book is "The Woman's Hour", by Elaine Weiss.

**Victorian Tea**  
with Margaret Cummings,  
Head Housekeeper at Balmoral Castle during the reign of  
Queen Victoria portrayed by Jessica Michna  
-learn about the traditions & history of the Christmas season-

**Sat. Dec. 7th**  
2pm-4pm  
Tickets \$20.00  
available from Club Members or  
reservations 262-652-4217 before Dec.4th  
Woman's Club of Kenosha  
6028 8th Ave.  
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## HOLIDAY LUNCHEON



The Holiday Luncheon and Grand Raffle is only days away! Join us at the Kenosha Country Club on December 13th for a gala luncheon and a chance to win amazing prizes! For this event, you will need to purchase your tickets ahead of time. Tickets are \$27.00 per person and can be purchased on line through Eventbrite at this link: [Holiday Luncheon](#) The deadline to register is **December 8th**. You will be asked to choose your entrée when you book; the choice is Stuffed Breast of Chicken, Roasted Pork Loin or a Mediterranean Cobb Salad (no meat). Downtown Kenosha Inc. (DKI) is writing a blog post about our Holiday Luncheon and donating a "Celebrate Downtown" gift basket! Be on the look out for that blog post. Thank you for your support, DKI!

*Thank you to all those who volunteered to help at the luncheon (Please arrive no later than 10:45 am!):*  
 Welcome table/ sell raffle tickets/collect money: Katie Hulse, Peggy Gallo & Joanne Horner  
 Organize prizes on tables prior to lunch: Roseann Shales & Mary Esposito  
 Pass out prizes, pull winning raffle tickets: Amy Vos, Shannon Zastoupil & Pam Grubb  
 Sell 50/50 tickets: Clair Foster & Deb Strecker  
 Name card table: Fran Kavenik Photographer: Joanna Carlberg

KWN would like to thank the sponsors that are helping to make our Holiday Luncheon an even bigger success!

### Table Sponsors:

Aurora Children's Health-Dr. Diane Gerlach  Herzing University- Kristen Hoffman 

Platinum Systems- Stephanie Schnell 

And Special thanks to our Event Sponsor, Ameriprise Financial- Christine King

Christine is a Financial Advisor and Certified Kingdom Advisor with Ameriprise Financial with over 20 years in the business. She takes a personalized approach to helping her clients confidently meet their financial goals. Her approach can be summarized this way:

- You are not just another face in the crowd.
- You are unique, and so are your financial goals. That's why I take the time to understand what's truly important to you.
- I can help you prepare for whatever life brings – both the expected and the unexpected – with personalized advice tailored to you. In fact, Ameriprise is rated #1 in the investment industry for trust.
- I deliver personalized financial advice to help you achieve your goals, today and tomorrow, through our Confident Retirement® approach. Working together, I can help you feel more confident, connected, and in control of your financial life.



### There's so much to do this Holiday Season!

Gather with KWN friends and more to celebrate the season! Make connections and get to know our members!

Join Roseann Shales and Pam Grubb for lunch and shopping in Richmond, IL, and experience Ginger Blossoms and other holiday delights on December 10th. Contact Roseann at 262-287-8728 to join in.

Dec 1-8: Gallery of Trees at Kemper Center

Dec 7: Lake Geneva Light Parade at 5:00pm

Dec 14: Kenosha Pops at Siebert Chapel, 7:00pm

Dec 21: Winter Solstice Night Hike at Pringle Nature Center, Bristol, at 6:30pm

Chicago Botanical Gardens, Glencoe, IL- "Lightscape". Now through January 5th, \$20 per adult

Thank you to our members who donated raffle prizes for the November Luncheon

\*Roseann Shales- CTFO/CBD    \*Joanna Carlberg- Joanna's Digital Images    \*Amy Vos- Northwestern Mutual  
 \*Katie Hulse- Genesis Chiropractic    \*Dee Miller- Diamond Flooring    \*Peggy Gallo-Shaklee & Gallo Tax  
 \*Mary Esposito- Your Art's Desire    \*Deb Strecker- The Woman's Club    \*Adeline Carney-The Red Oak Restaurant

**Have you considered making a donation to our regular monthly raffle? Get your name and business mentioned in our monthly newsletter!**

## **Shop Local on Small Business Saturday!**

Started in 2010 by American Express, Small Business Saturday is traditionally the Saturday after Thanksgiving and was intended as a counter-balance to the retail craziness that is Black Friday among the big box stores, and the on-line frenzy of Cyber Monday. The purpose was to encourage more people to Shop Small and spend more of their holiday dollars in small businesses (defined as less than 100 employees). Did you know that, for every dollar spent at a small business in the US, approximately 67 cents stays in the local community? ([2018 study by American Express](#))

Many of our KWN members have items or services for sale that you could give as holiday gifts! Why not support one of your KWN sisters this year? Here are some suggestions:

Dianne Bruneel **Usborne Books and More** 817-658-2067 [Web site](#) Children's books and gifts

Joanna Carlberg **Joanna's Digital Images** 262-358-0411 [Web site](#) Gift certificates for photography and photo restoration services

Adeline Carney **The Red Oak Restaurant** 262-857-8588 [Web site](#) Farm-2-Table restaurant-gift certificates

Laura Cox **Acupuncture and Wellness of Wisconsin** 262-496-4626 [Web site](#) Gift certificates and supplements

Mary Esposito **Your Art's Desire** 214-783-0276 [Web site](#) Fine and fashion jewelry and art

Peggy Gallo **Shaklee Home products** 262-859-2930 Green cleaning products

Pamela Grub **Mindful Yoga** 262-859-2151 [Web site](#) Classes, Gift certificates

Mary Herbert **Hair Unlimited** 262-658-4918 Hair salon, Gift certificates

Joanne Horner **Send Out Cards, Pampered Chef** 847-337-2778 [Web site](#)

Katie Hulse **Genesis Chiropractic** 262-657-7744 [Web site](#) Massage gift certificates

Michele Oksa **Norwex Chemical-Free Products** 262-345-4261 [Web site](#) Cloths to clean everything with just water

Roseann Shales **Imagine CBD** 262-287-8728 [Web site](#) CBD Oils, creams, skincare, nutritional supplements

Shannon Zastoupil **Shannon Z Photography** 262-945-8976 [Web site](#) Gift certificates for photography services

Small Business Saturday is on November 30th this year.



### **Board Elections**

Thank you to everyone who served on the 2019 Kenosha Women's Network Board: Christine, Roseann, Alicia, Katie, Joanna, Amy, Becky, Annie, and Joanne. Board elections were held at the November meeting; the slate of officers approved for 2020 is as follows:

**President:** Guida Brown

**Vice President:** Roseann Shales

**Co-Secretary:** Alicia Fosbinder and Laura Cox

**Treasurer:** Katie Hulse

**Past President:** Christine King

**Board members:** Joanna Carlberg, Dianne Bruneel, Amy Vos, Becky Leffler, Joanne Horner and Darlene Duncan.

Thank you for stepping up, Ladies!

*Wishing all our members a Very Happy Holiday Season  
and a Prosperous New Year!*