

KWN Community

March 2022

A Monthly Newsletter for members of Kenosha Women's Network

**Kenosha
Women's
Network**



Growing Together, Rooted in the Community

A Note from our President

Hello KWN!

March is Women's History Month and a time to remember our personal, professional, and collective accomplishments as women.

Our lunch meeting, March 11, will host political contenders sharing their platforms and answering your questions. And on the same evening, we will be celebrating SBA-WOI event, celebrating women in Kenosha. KWN has been a sponsor since its inception.

March 12 and 13 is the Chamber of Commerce Expo at UW Parkside. We are seeking volunteers to share KWN with attendees and invite them to join us. Can you spare 2 hours of your time to expand our reach and support our growth? I believe what we do makes a difference for our community.

I'm writing this on Feb. 24, just hours after Russia invaded Ukraine. I feel like our world is churning and I don't like it. I found this quote:

"Ultimately, we have just one moral duty: to reclaim large areas of peace in ourselves, more and more peace, and to reflect it toward others. And the more peace there is in us, the more peace there will be in our troubled world."

Etty Hillesum (Dutch Author)

We can make a difference where we live, starting today!

Wishing you peace and love and great connections! See you soon!

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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.

March meeting

KWN's March meeting will be held on March 11th, 2022 at The Woman's Club, 6028 8th Ave, Kenosha
11:30am networking,
12:00pm lunch

Your festive menu choice will be:

Corned Beef Sandwich with Swiss Cheese, Special Sauce, Coleslaw & Dill Pickle

Or

Grilled Cheese w/Tomato Basil Soup

Both choices include dessert. Lunch costs \$15. Please RSVP with your choice of entrée by end of day on the 8th.

[Click here](#) to buy your ticket.

The link is also on the website.

Consider This Your Open Invitation!

Are you interested in getting more involved in the Kenosha Women's Network? We have an opening for another board member, and we can use your expertise. Don't want to be on the board, but still want to be more involved? That's OK, too...join a committee! We have three active committees of the board: Events, Membership, and Communication, and you can join any one – or two – without becoming a board member. See any board member for more information, or contact Roseann Shales, President, at roshales89@gmail.com, for more information.

Save
the
Date



Join KWN Members
At a Kingfish Game
On Thursday, August 11, 2022
Watch for details!

Gallery updates:

We want all our members to be featured on the KWN website member gallery! People do business with those they know, like and trust and the first step is recognizing your fellow KWN members! If you don't have a picture currently on the gallery, please [click this link](#). You can submit your own headshot or arrange to have one taken at the next meeting.

KWN Welcomes:

**Shawna Neal-
Owner, Radiant Path**

We're Glad You're Here!

[Member Directory.](#)

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Paint Party at Alpaca

Join us at the Paint Party at Alpaca Arts on Thursday, March 24 from 5 - 7:30 p.m.

This will be painting and party fun at Alpaca Arts, 4326 7th Avenue. Alpaca Arts is a woman-owned business that carries ready-to-paint bisque, including dishes and platters (microwave and dishwasher safe), household items such as picture frames, vases, figurines, banks, boxes, and more! They normally close at 6 p.m., so we get the place to ourselves for fun!

Attendees will pick, paint, and pay for their own pottery, and prices include painting and firing. We'd love you to be there and bring some friends, too! No need to be a KWN member to attend! Please contact Cathy Savaglio at Cathy.Savaglio@snmc.com to RSVP or for more information or RSVP here on Google Docs: <https://forms.gle/GimF1Fer1TotsUkF9>.

If you plan to attend, please be sure to RSVP no later than Monday, March 21, so we know how many to expect, and PLEASE do RSVP because we want to have a fun, successful event!

Spotlight on our Members!

We want to learn more about our members and their businesses, but we need your help! Write your own 50-60 word bio to be included in an upcoming KWN newsletter. Submit information to Joanna Carlberg at photojo1955@gmail.com

Got an event coming up? Write that up, too, and Joanna will include it on our New Events page on our website (<https://www.kenoshawomensnetwork.org/new-events>) and link to your Facebook page for even more impact!

Join us at Expo 22 on March 12 and 13

Kenosha Women's Network will have a booth at the Kenosha Area Chamber of Commerce Expo at the Frank J. Petretti Fieldhouse at UW-Parkside. We have a few more shifts to fill on Sunday. Are you available from 9:45 to noon or 2:00 to 4:15 p.m.? Contact Guida at guida@hopecouncil.org for more information or to volunteer!

March Speakers

Kenosha County Executive candidates Rebecca Matoska-Mentink and Samantha Kerkman will tell us their vision for Kenosha County after the election, and attendees will have an opportunity to ask a few questions, too.

Just For Fun!

It's the month of St. Patrick's Day, so consider the "wearing of the green" to celebrate. Wonder where that came from? A Google search says this longstanding Irish tradition "originally referred to wearing a shamrock in one's hat or on a jacket lapel and has roots in the seventeenth century, when wearing symbols of Catholicism or support for the Irish Republic was forbidden in Ireland."

The Membership Committee



THANK YOU TO OUR MEMBERS WHO DONATED RAFFLE PRIZES IN FEBRUARY

*Mary Witte-Talbert-Edward Jones *Darlene Duncan *Roseann Shales—CTFO CBD
*Adeline Carney-The Red Oak Restaurant *Deb Strecker *Wendy Gauss—ReMax Realty
*Rebecca Matoska-Mentink *Peggy Gallo—Gallo Tax Preparation

Make a donation (valued at \$10 or more) to our monthly raffle and get your name and business mentioned in our monthly newsletter!

Next Wise Women Read Choice: *The House in the Cerulean Sea*

The next KWN's Wise Women Read Book Discussion Group is on March 8, and we'll be discussing *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune. "*The House in the Cerulean Sea* is a heart-swelling wave of sweetness and hope. Mild-mannered government caseworker Linus Baker is sent on a secret assignment to an island orphanage he's never even heard of. The astonishing inhabitants he gets to know there will change his life and make him reassess everything he thought he knew. This book will leave you believing in the good in everyone – even those society has given up on – and contemplating how huge changes have to start somewhere." Haley Stocking, Phinney Books, Seattle, WA

Join us on Tuesday, March 8, at 6:30 p.m. at Blue House Books, 5915 6th Ave A, Kenosha to discuss this fun story! Attendees to Wise Women Read need not be KWN members. Email Guida Brown at guida@hopecouncil.org with questions or a heads up if you plan to attend.

And, our April 12 read will be *Cultish: The Language of Fanaticism* by Amanda Montell. The author analyzes the social science of cult influence: how cultish groups from Jonestown and Scientology to SoulCycle and social media gurus use language as the ultimate form of power.

Susan B. Anthony - Women of Influence Awards Dinner, is also March 11:

The 31st Susan B. Anthony - Women of Influence Awards Dinner is back in person at Marina Shores on Friday, March 11, and we're excited to honor Terri Wruck, Lifetime Achievement Award winner, and Women of Influence: Jennie Tunkieicz, Business/Government/Nonprofit; Sabrina Morgan, Arts and Education; and Carli McNeil, Woman to Watch Under 40. We are close to selling out, so if you want to attend, register here **today** so you don't miss out! <https://tinyurl.com/mr2adj8>

Can't attend but still want to support the cause? Purchase raffle tickets by emailing guida@hopecouncil.org for more information! The cost is \$5 each or 3 for \$10, and you can win "A Night on the Town" in Downtown Kenosha; Kenosha Restaurant Gift Certificate Package; or a Kingfish Package.



GOURMET DELIGHTS ANNOUNCEMENT:

For the past few years at the Susan B. Anthony Awards Banquet (this year on Friday, March 11, 2022), we have used Gourmet Delights as a fundraiser in our silent auction. Members of the three collaborating organizations, Kenosha Women's Network, AAUW-Kenosha Branch, and Tempo Kenosha, sign up in advance to bring grandma's (or grandpa's) favorite treats to the event. From pies, cakes, cookies, fudge and other candies to dilly beans and homemade chutney—all will appeal to the people who attend, especially if they are decoratively presented. Last year, we raised over \$1,000 from the Silent Auction alone, helping to fund our scholarships and grants.

In order to plan ahead, we need you to sign up in advance for what you will be bringing. The event begins as early as 5:00 p.m. for the cash bar, so any time after 3:30 on March 11th we'll be happy to receive your contribution at the Madrigano Marina Shores in Kenosha. Please include the following information when you sign up:

- your name
- your email address
- your phone number
- the name of the item(s) and any "history" you'd like to share
- the value of the item(s)
- what you think the minimum bid should be

Send it to me via email at kavenik@uwp.edu, or you can phone me at home 262-654-7470.

Thank you in advance for contributing to this stellar event!



It has been two years since the last Susan B. Anthony/Women of Influence Awards Dinner-it was one of the last events in 2020 before the world shut down! If you would like to remember what this glittering event is like, here is a [video recap!](#)

