

KWN Community

A Monthly Newsletter for members of Kenosha Women's Network

September 2023

Kenosha
Women's
Network



Growing Together, Rooted in the Community

A Note from our President

Hello, KWN,

I am so excited about September's luncheon! We are supporting TEN nonprofits in our community – ten agencies that serve women and/or children, ten agencies that are receiving a total of just over \$9,700, ten agencies that have allowed us to celebrate with a bang our 20th year of giving grants! Thanks to each and every one of you – our members – for your efforts in helping us make money to give back. The 50/50 raffle at every luncheon, the Kingfish Game, the Holiday Luncheon... these (and others) are the events that we count on our members to support so that we can support our community. Thank you for your part in that!

I'm a terrible "runner," and even using that term is misleading. But here's the thing...I LOVE organized races because of the awesome energy during them. And I know that the energy at the September lunch is going to be the same! We can't go wrong supporting our community, and I promise that you will be energized if you're able to attend September's lunch!

Looking forward to seeing you at lunch!

Guida



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.

September meeting

KWN's September meeting will be held on Friday, September 8th, 2023 at [Casa Capri](#)

2129 Birch Rd, Kenosha
11:30am -1:00pm

The cost to attend the meeting is \$18 and includes lunch.

Lunch will be a two entrée buffet plus salad and a side.

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

RSVP by end-of-day on September 5th.

The link is also on the website.

In case you missed the link on our website:

Nuts, dried fruit, chocolate...what's not to like about Terri Lynn™? Even better, you can support KWN's mission just by buying delicious treats through our personalized fund raising page! Founded in 1932, Terri Lynn has been helping organizations raise money for over 80 years. Click on the picture to go to the KWN web page.

Christmas is a perfect time to buy Terri Lynn's gift boxes and tins but you can enjoy their products year round.

KWN Secretary, Darleen Scuglik, has generously purchased samples for you to taste, so be sure and look for them at the September meeting.



Holiday Raffle

It's that time! We're soliciting for the holiday raffle! Want your business name (or yours) on the ticket?

Well then we need your commitment to provide a top prize! Please reach out to Treasurer Ann Hooper at ann@clearprofitsolutions.com to let her know the value of the prize you'll be donating. And we don't just

need TOP prizes...but we do need commitment for those first so that we can get the tickets printed! A top prize is generally considered to be valued at \$300 or more. If you have questions, want a bigger role in the Holiday Luncheon, or have an idea, please contact Ann!



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September's Wise Women Read Meeting

On **Tuesday, September 12**, at 6:30 p.m. at Blue House Books, 5915 6th Ave A, we'll be discussing *The Dictionary of Lost Words* by Pip Williams. From Bookshop.org: "Set during the height of the women's suffrage movement and with the Great War looming, *The Dictionary of Lost Words* reveals a lost narrative, hidden between the lines of a history written by men.

Inspired by actual events, author Pip Williams has delved into the archives of the *Oxford English Dictionary* to tell this highly original story. *The Dictionary of Lost Words* is a delightful, lyrical, and deeply thought-provoking celebration of words and the power of language to shape the world."

And, on **Tuesday, October 10**, just in time for Halloween, we're reading Catriona Ward's *The Last House on Needless Street*. Named one of the "50 Best Horror Books of All Time" by *Esquire*, here's what the back of the book says:

"In a boarded-up house on a dead-end street at the edge of the wild Washington woods lives a family of three.

"A young girl who isn't allowed outside, not after last time.

"A man who drinks alone in front of his TV, trying to ignore the gaps in his memory.

"And a house cat who loves napping and reading the Bible.

"An unspeakable secret binds them together, but when a new neighbor moves in next door, what is buried out among the birch trees may come back to haunt them all.

"The Last House on Needless Street is an immersive and shocking journey that will keep you guessing until the last page."

Join Us for Lunch at Casa Capri on Friday, September 8th

As you know, we'll be presenting ten nonprofits with mini grants at September's meeting. But, we'll be doing even more!

Katie Chada, Community Outreach Coordinator, Kenosha and Northern Illinois Service Area of Advocate Aurora Health, will be present to talk about women's health. AND, thanks to KWN Secretary Darleen Scuglik, you'll have the opportunity to taste the deliciousness of **Terri Lynn Snacks**. You may not recall that you can buy these delicious snacks right from our website...and raise money for mini-grants, so it's another win/win! Not sure you want them? Well, Darleen wants to be sure you know how delicious they are, and so there will be a tasting table at the September meeting! If you're already sure you want them, order here: <https://kenoshawomensnetwork.terrilynn.com/>

As usual, we're looking forward to another great meal at Casa Capri! The day and time remain the same: second Friday of the month at 11:30 a.m. for networking and noon for lunch. When signing up, please do let us know if you have any dietary restrictions (vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free) so that they can be accommodated. The cost to attend the meeting is \$18, and lunch is included. Please come early to network because there's going to be so many cool things to do and people to meet!

[Click here](#) for the link to register for lunch.

Upcoming meetings:

The meeting on October 13, Friday the 13th, won't be spooky at all! Brenda Brady and Becky Leveque from Alpaca Art will be speaking, and we hope to schedule another Alpaca Art Night in conjunction with their presentation!

For the November 10 meeting, Community Impact Program's Champion Foster Mom will be our speaker, presenting on Foster Care Outreach. And, we'll have the opportunity to do our 10-second elevator intros, too!

Remember that if you bring a guest to any meeting you'll want to introduce her with a 10-second elevator speech! Elevator speeches are just to give us a hint at what you do...the networking is when you can get into the weeds! And, as always, we will have announcements, which will come AFTER the speaker each month...or the grant presentations this month!



THANK YOU TO ALL OUR MEMBERS WHO DONATED TO THE AUGUST RAFFLE

*Guida Brown—Guided by Guida

*Diane Gerlach—Aurora

*Kitt Stephenson—Within the Rabbit Hole

*Darleen Scuglik—Dar's Hearts

*Adeline Carney—The Red Oak Restaurant

*Peggy Gallo—Tax Prep

*Shawna Neal—Giving Back Wellness

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



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Cathy Savaglio has been a member of KWN for 5 years and loves being a part of the Board and membership committee. As an experienced mortgage loan originator for over 25 years, Cathy LOVES helping clients turn a house into a home! Whether you are a first-time homebuyer, a current homeowner wanting to refinance an existing mortgage or add an investment property to your rental portfolio, her focus is on providing a five-star customer experience!
www.cathysmortgageloans.com

KWN members: We want to put you in the spotlight! Share with us, in 50-60 words, something about your business or your experience as a member of KWN. Look for the sign up sheet at the August meeting to get your name on the list!

MINI GRANT 2023 WINNERS

This year, KWN awarded a total of \$9,778.00 to the following nonprofits. At the September Luncheon we will be presenting the checks to the following groups:

- Boys & Girls Club
- ELCA Outreach Center
- Habitat for Humanity
- Hope Council
- Pleasant Prairie Historical Society
- 1,000 Generations DBA Safe Families for Children
- Shalom Center
- Sharing Center
- Women and Children's Horizon
- Western Kenosha County Senior Citizen Council/Westosha Senior Community Center

KWN members: Thank you all for your support to make an impact in our community.

Are You Interested in Board Membership?

Do you want to learn about nonprofit boards? Do you want to make a bigger impact in the Kenosha Women's Network and help set activities and policies? Well, then it's time to step up to be on the board!

Board membership includes two additional meetings per month...board and a committee...but it's pretty low key...not a lot of stress. And, the best byproduct may be that you learn how nonprofits really work so that you can take these skills elsewhere!

Don't want to be a board member but want a more active role? That's OK, too! Join a committee. We have three: Events, Communication, and Membership, and any of them would appreciate your assistance.

Talk to any Guida if you have questions or interest. You can reach her at 262-914-1820 or via email at: membership@kenoshawomensnetwork.org.

We Want to See Your Beautiful Face!

Please be sure to submit a head and shoulders photo for our website Member Gallery to show what an engaged membership we have! If you don't have a photo, ask Joanna Carlberg to take one at the luncheon meeting. She'll make sure you glow!

Sign up here: [Gallery headshot](#)