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CWC Membership

Looking for opportunities to help women and children in need? Want to meet other women and make new friends? Interested in having along the way?

Now is the perfect time to join Caring Women's Connection!

NEW MEMBERS welcome!

Join us at the CWC Welcome Event Open House

Sept. 12th from 6:00pm-9:00pm at the Hawthorn Woods Country Club

(see details on front cover)

OR contact one of our New Member Liaisons to learn more about what CWC has to offer:



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Welcome Fall

nother great year to be a part of CWC...

Let's Play! This year's theme is all about games, and assisting those in need with the game of life.

As we begin our 59th year, I wanted to thank everyone for their work to help our organization grow in the community, in our networks, and become a major contributor to women and children in need in Lake County!

Our goal this year is a big one; we are hoping to raise \$100,000 this year to make a difference in the lives of many. We will start small, asking people to help us in our mission by joining us as: a member (\$50), a platinum member(\$100) or a Corporate Member (\$125). As a member, you are participating in our goal of making a change. You can be an active member, or a just a financial supporter - just please take the step and join. We have many volunteer, donation, sponsorship and advertising opportunities throughout the year as well to help our mission grow- stay tuned to emails.

We created over 50 backpacks for the children in the shelters we assist. Thank you to Patty and Jalana who shopped and put these bags together for the children so they could feel confident on their first day of school! If you wish to donate to this cause, please mail a check to BACKPACK MANIA. The average cost of the backpacks was approximately \$40 each.

We will have volunteer opportunities throughout the year our first one is September 10th to serve dinner for those in need in Lake Zurich at Emmaus House.

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Our Love Fund Auction follows on October 26th (mark your calendar!!) at Kemper Lakes Golf Club. We are SO EXCITED for this event that is one of our main fundraisers for the year!

Thank you to the House of Betty Jane and Within Reach of Long Grove who held fundraisers for us over the summer to help start our year off right!

We need your help to make this year a success. Please sign up for the bi-monthly email newsletter to keep up-to-date of opportunities and support our corporate members that support us. We are also seeking people to serve on the board of directors. As we have no paid staff, we are looking to involve more people in the process of working together to run our organization. If you are interested in learning more, please send me an email/ give me a call and I'd love to speak with you.

Hope to see you at our Welcome Open House on Tuesday, September 12th - Let the Games Begin!

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Who Wants To Play?

Love Fund Auction ~ September 26, 2017

The Love Fund Auction is our first major fundraising event of the year, and it's almost here! Thursday, October 26, 2017, at Kemper Lakes Golf Club is when and where the Games Begin. Our theme this year is Game Night and we need some major players! If you'd like to be a game player and a life changer, there are several ways you can participate in this event . . .



BASKETS

We're looking for themed baskets starting at \$150 value and up. These baskets are auctioned off and can be related to our GAME Night theme or not. We have had baskets with cooking themes, beauty themes, travel themes, fashion themes etc. The possibilities are endless and your basket donation would be greatly appreciated.

SPONSORSHIP

Another major way to play GAME Night is through sponsorship. If your company is willing to be a sponsor, there are several ways to do so. We have sponsorship opportunities as an Event Sponsor, Spinner Sponsor, Paddle Sponsor, Decor Sponsor, Snack Sponsor, Roll of the Dice Raffle Canister Sponsor and Wine Sponsor. If you're ready to play and take on one of the these sponsorships, head over to our website for further information.

BONUS ROUND

The best part for all you GAME Night Players is that your company has the opportunity to be involved in our Bonus Round. All sponsors will be listed on the program (passed out to 150 Area Women), on our website and recognized in our Connections newsletter. Plus, all sponsors have the option to provide inserts for our Bonus Bag which goes to every attendee.

If you're ready to play, contact our Donations Chair, Nicole Schultes via email **donations@caringwomensconnection.com**. Be sure to make your move soon, these opportunities to play fill up fast!

STABEN HOUSE -

Garden Project a Growing Success!



The women living in Staben House wanted to start a garden this year. The former garden area was covered with weeds and other debris with soil that did not look like it could grow anything. The only thing going for the area was the chicken-wire fence. It was a project CWC members took on to help.

One spring Saturday morning, the transformation of the old garden area began. Raised planter beds were made, fresh dirt was brought in and the planting began! The children living at Staben House worked all morning starting with picking weeds, adding the dirt, planting the plants and finally watering. As they planted the tomatoes, peppers and cilantro they talked of making salsa and other favorites.



It looks like their hard work is paying off as their crop of vegetables is thriving. They have begun harvesting fresh green beans. Besides vegetables and herbs, they planted a few flower pots with marigold and petunias. And they began talking about other areas to plant. Many thanks to Hawthorn Gardens for their generous donation of plants!



SHOUT-OUT -

Drop-Off Locations *Thanks!*

Big thanks to Avalon Salon and Day Spa (Deer Park), Couture 360 (Lake Zurich), House of Betty Jane (Lake Zurich), Studio One Eleven (Hawthorn Woods), and Long Grove Visitor's Center for supporting our "Fresh Start" Cleaning Supply Drive as donation drop-off locations.











Thank you for Cleaning Supplies Support!

With the help from our members, supporters and friends, CWC's "Fresh Start" Cleaning Supply Drive is a big success!

Donations are divided among three shelters in Lake County: A Safe Place, Lake County Haven and Staben House.

DONATION THANKS —

Backpack Mania

Each new school year, families living in homeless shelters and transitional homes in Lake County struggle to provide their children with the necessary school supplies.

Caring Women's Connection strives to brighten this time by making sure these children have a backpack filled with grade-appropriate supplies, so they can seamlessly fit into their classroom surrounding.

This year, your generous donations enabled us to help 54 students to start the school year off right!



Send them back to school with love

SHOUT-OUT -

Ivanhoe Golf Club

Thanks!

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to the ladies at the Ivanhoe Golf Club who collected sheet sets and towels for Caring Women's Connection.

All items will be given to the women and children at the Lake County Haven.



SHOUT-OUT ———

The Brownells of Barrington *Thanks!*

A special thanks to Barrington resident Stephanie Brownell's children and their friends for raising \$70 from their lemonade stand to benefit CWC's Back-to-School Supply Drive!







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EMMAUS HOUSE

Community Dinner Sunday, September 10th, 2017

Together with the people at Emmaus House of Hospitality, Caring Women's Connection will host our second community dinner this year on Sunday, September 10th. We need volunteers to bring chicken (baked, grilled or fried), carrots, coleslaw, salads etc. and help us serve the meal.

Please visit: www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0944ada928a7fa7-emmaus1 to sign up for food items and volunteer positions. Contact Patty Renz, VP of Philanthropy, at patty@caringwomensconnection.com for more information.





Thank you for your help & generosity!

A SAFF PLACE -

Thanksgiving Food Drive

November, 2017

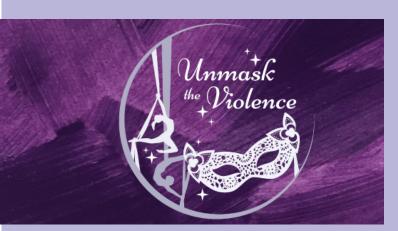
Caring Women's Connection will collect donations of Thanksgiving meal items to provide to the families living in A Safe Place this November.

We hope to provide each family with the ingredients to cook a delicious meal this Thanksgiving.

We will share more details in the coming months on our website at www.caringwomensconnection.com and via eblast.







A Safe Place's 7th Annual Break the Silence **Unmask the Violence Gala**

Saturday, October 21, 2017 Loft 21 in Lincolnshire, IL 6:30-11:00 pm

The 2017 Break the Silence, Unmask the Violence Gala will take place at a brand new, unique venue --Loft 21 in Lincolnshire, IL. Each year, the Gala supports the efforts of A Safe Place, a nonprofit organization that provides a safety net for survivors of domestic violence and their families.

If you are one of our generous long-term partners or you are a new supporter, this year's Gala will break the traditional sit-down dinner mold. Prepare for an interactive, unforgettable, and remarkable evening in a new, transformative, state-of-the-art event space. Amid dazzling lights, sound, and entertain ment, guests will come together to help raise needed funds for the 13,000 Lake County neighbors we serve every year.

Each year, the Gala brings together more than 300 supporters from across the Chicagoland area to bring awareness, help stop the spread of domestic violence in our communities, and raise funds for vital programs and services for our most fragile families experiencing domestic violence.

A Safe Place provides emergency shelter, affordable housing, court advocacy, community outreach, prevention education, and counseling in the wake of domestic violence.

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ow in its 26th season, Apple Fest has seen its share of visitors from all around the country flock to Historic Downtown Long Grove to have bushels of fun. From apple popcorn to apple lattes, Apple Fest's claim-to-fame is the hundreds of delicious apple-inspired treats for apple lovers young and old. This year, the Pop-Up Apple Orchard will again be home to dozens of local merchants, doling out baskets of freshly-picked apples as well as original Long Grove products. As always with a Long Grove major festival, music of the highest caliber will play out all weekend long on three stages spread out throughout fest grounds.



LAKE ZURICH -

Dine • Dance • Discover Downtown Sept. 9, 2017 | Downtown LZ

he Village of Lake Zurich will host its 5th annual downtown block party, Rock The Block, on September 9, 2017 from 5 - 11 pm. Planned as an all-ages traditional street dance, partygoers are invited to Dine, Dance and (re)discover downtown Lake Zurich. Three live bands take the stage for an evening of music, food and fun, and young party goers can visit the face painter and balloon art, sponsored by Lake Zurich Tire and Auto.

The event will be held on Main Street in downtown Lake Zurich, (approximately 70 E. Main Street). To accommodate the event, Main Street will be closed from Church Street to Old Rand beginning at 1 P.M. on the day of the event.



HAWTHORN WOODS

Fall Family Fun Fest Sept. 23, 2017 | Hawthorn Woods Aquatic

et ready for an enjoyable fall season at the 9th Annual Hawthorn Woods Fall Family Fun Fest! This FREE community event includes crafts, mini train rides, and a variety of activities for children and families. Come touch a truck with vehicles available from the Hawthorn Woods Police Department and Public Works, Countryside Fire Department and A-Express Towing. All residents are invited come say hello and meet staff from all village departments including Administration, Police, Public Works, Parks & Recreation, Finance, and Community Development.





We had a great night at the new Buffalo Creek Brewery in Long Grove in July! So nice to catch up with friends over the summer to see what's new.

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The "Love Fund" is the heart of the Caring Women's Connection organization. All donations collected to this fund are distributed to charities and organizations that support women and children in need in Lake County. Every person/business/organization that gives a monetary donation becomes a "Gem" of Caring Women's Connection, helping us to provide vital assistance to the programs we support.

We appreciate every level of donation. Caring Women's Connection will send you a tax receipt and publicize your donation, along with your name/company's name (if you so choose) on our website and in our CONNECTIONS newsletter publication, which is mailed to over 4,000 residents. The Caring Women's Connection is a 501(C) 3 not-for-profit organization, all monetary donations are tax deductible Below is a list our donation designations.

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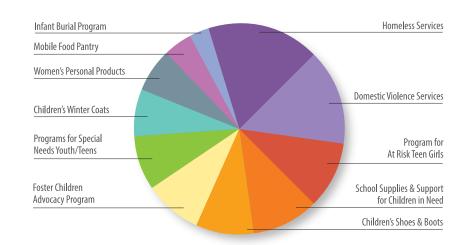
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The "Love Fund" is the heart of the Caring Women's Connection organization. In the spring, CWC rewards an outstanding high school graduate(s) a \$3,000 scholarship towards tuition. With a donation of \$3,000 or more, the scholarship will be named after you/ your organization. We think this is a great way to show your support for education and the community and assist in the educational goals of a deserving local student. You may donate to the scholarship online at any time on the CWC website.

Upcoming Events

Mark you calendar for these upcoming events. Check our the website at CaringWomensConnection.com for updates and additional information.



and additional information.		RSV	PREQUIRED
September			
Connections Event "Open House" 6-9pm	Tues. Sept. 12		See page 1
October			
Connections Event	Tues. Oct. 03		
LOVE FUND AUCTION	Thurs. Oct 26	√ ⑤	See page 1 & 5
November			
Vendor Fair	Thurs. Nov 09		
December			
Connections Event	Tues. Dec. 05		
January			
Yoga / Scholarship Night	Wed. Jan. 10		
February			
Connections Event	Tues. Feb. 06		
NEW FUNDRAISER!	Sat. Feb. 10		
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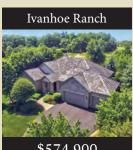


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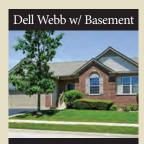
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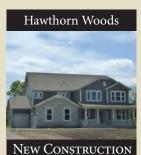


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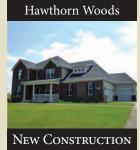




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