

Looking forward to seeing everyone again!

We had a great planning meeting in August (fun!), and a valuable Executive Committee meeting earlier this month (short and sweet, via Zoom). We're working to keep everything running smoothly and we appreciate everyone's support!

Thanks so much to the members who have stepped into committee roles this year! We still have some vacancies, so if you're interested in getting more involved in a particular aspect of our organization, let us know!

First meeting of the year is **Thursday, September 21, at Maggiano's** starting at 6 p.m. We'd love to see you there! PLEASE send your RSVP as soon as possible! And gather your resources to share that evening.

Please also plan to **visit your nearest Boscov's store on October 18** – grab a \$5 shopping pass from us at the September meeting and get 25% off in the store all day! The funds we raise through Boscov's "Friends Helping Friends" event will go to assist our Norristown Vet Center and other community organizations that have needs this fall (before our Bingo funds are available).

See all the great events on our **Planning Calendar** <u>here</u>. We'll have some printed copies at the September meeting as well. And follow us on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>LinkedIn</u> for the details as we get closer to each event.

Scroll all the way down for some big news...! (Yes, this is a ploy to keep you scrolling!)



CMC BPW's annual

Bingo Fundraiser

Join the fun as we raise funds for MCCC scholarships & area agencies!

Your ticket includes a four-course meal with ten rounds of Bingo!

Bring your lucky dauber and extra \$\$\$ for amazing raffles!

Sunday, December 3, 2023
1-4 PM - doors open at noon

Must be purchased in advance!

\$60pp check to "CMC BPW", cash, or PayPal

\$55pp if purchased by October 19

For PayPal, follow the QR code and put "Bingo" in the note.

BIG NEWS! CMC BPW is now a 501(c)(3)!

Yes, the IRS accepted our determination change request and has designated CMC BPW a 501(c)(3) charitable organization as of July 1, 2023!

So, donations that you make to the club, including the \$25 CMC portion of your dues (as well as the \$4 PA BPW Foundation portion), can be deducted on your income taxes if you itemize. Of your 2023-2024 dues, that's a total of \$29 tax-deductible; the remaining \$16 to BPW/PA and \$5 to District 11 are not deductible, as they are not 501(c)(3).

You must always subtract the value of any benefit received when you make a charitable contribution. The money paid for a dinner meeting goes entirely to pay for your meal, so there's no tax-deductible portion there. BUT... for Bingo, the cost of the buffet lunch meal is \$35 with the remaining \$25 going to the fundraiser – that \$25 is a tax-deductible donation. Make sense? Again, only if you itemize.

The biggest benefit to CMC BPW is that we can now solicit raffle prize and other donations from some major organizations like Target, whose giving has been restricted to 501(c)(3) nonprofits. **LOOK OUT FOR SOME MAJOR RAFFLE PRIZES AT BINGO THIS YEAR!**

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Don't forget to post all your events on our Facebook page!





