

January 2018



We are all in this together!

*All parts of
our military community come
together with BOSC!*

Upcoming Event

Special points of interest:

- Password
- Be on a Committee
- Need your help
- How to RSVP for a Luncheon

**BELVOIR OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB
JANUARY LUNCHEON**

MAKE IT, Bake It, or FAKE IT

JANUARY 9, 2018

**FORT BELVOIR
OFFICERS CLUB**

**DOORS OPEN AT 10:00AM
LUNCH STARTS AT 11:00AM**

COST: \$28.00
CASH, CHECK, OR CARD (\$1.50 FEE)

MENU: TACO BAR

Items donated will be used as opportunity prizes. Donations may be handcrafted items, tasty baked goods, or something bought at a store. Opportunity tickets will be sold \$1.00 for 1 or \$5.00 for 6. There will also be a few Silent Auction items.

Philanthropy
We are still collecting items for the USO. Please bring in non-perishable food items.
Pasta
Rice
Beans
Peanut Butter
Canned Meats
Jelly
Can/Dry Soups

Reservations will close on January 2nd at noon.
Please see our website (www.belvoirosc.org) to make your reservation.

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President's Pen

Happy New Year!!

I hope everybody had a wonderful and safe Holiday Season. As always in the new year I like to make some new year's resolutions. This year I promise to continue in taking care of my health, put my family first, and give back to the community as much as I can. 2018 will be great, as I will make it so. March is my 25th Anniversary and we are renewing our vows with a Jewish wedding. In May my oldest graduates from Auburn with a degree in Elementary Education and will be moving to Dallas to teach. June is when my youngest will graduate from high school not sure yet where she will go but with the Air Force ROTC scholarship she will soar.

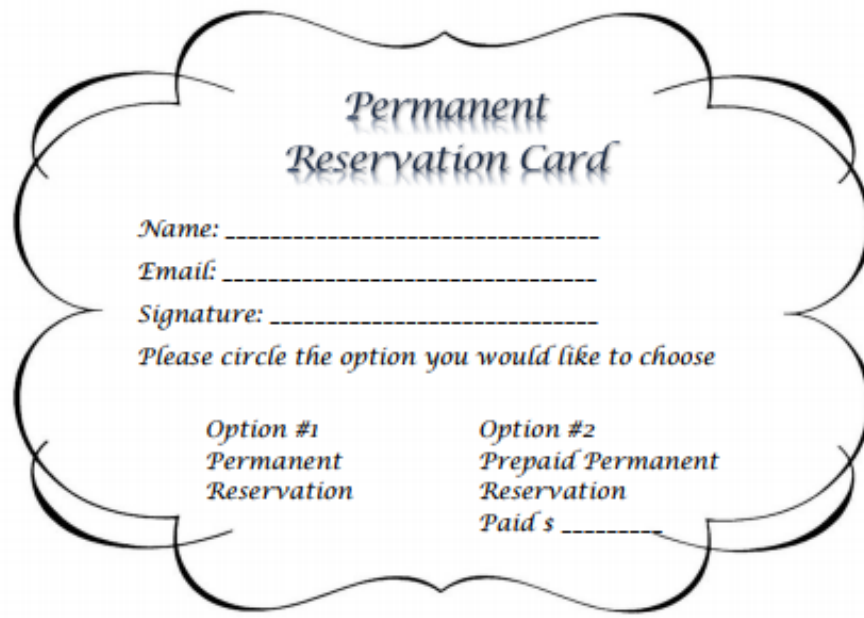
I want to especially thank Bernadette for all of her hard work and always a positive attitude to make sure the job got done. Thank you to all of the volunteers that made this year Gift Wrap fundraiser so successful. This year we raised \$18,200. It takes a community to work together to make things happen. I am blessed to be surrounded by so many who care.

Kari

How to make a Reservation for a luncheon without a permanent one

1. Make your reservation through our website on the Luncheon Page
2. Reservations will be open 3 weeks prior to the luncheon and will close the Tuesday before the luncheon at noon.
3. All reservations must be received and are final at the time of the deadline (by noon the Tuesday before the luncheon).
4. If you need to cancel your reservation, please contact the reservations chair at boscreserve@gmail.com before the deadline.
5. Receipt of payment without a corresponding reservation does NOT guarantee a seat at the luncheon.

Permanent Reservation Card



*Permanent
Reservation Card*

Name: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Please circle the option you would like to choose

<i>Option #1 Permanent Reservation</i>	<i>Option #2 Prepaid Permanent Reservation Paid \$ _____</i>
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We need your help

Help us increase our visibility this year by using [#BOSC1718](#) anytime you take a photo and post it on any social media .

January Birthdays

Silvana Lidia Cautle, Patricia Molseed, Victoria Ocasio, Kelly Oliver, Carol Place, Marcia Siegert, Mary Beth Smith, Annette Stafira, Diane Watts, Melissa Werner



Upcoming Luncheons

Luncheons:

2nd Tuesday of each month September through May 10:00am – 1:00pm

Check-in, social time and shopping starts at 10:00am

Program starts at 11:00am

Cost: \$28 per attendee (plus \$1.50 fee if use credit or debit card for a total of \$29.50)

The Luncheon cost has gone up \$4.00 because the club has raised its cost by \$4.00



<u>Luncheon Themes:</u>	<u>Dates:</u>	<u>RSVP By Noon:</u>
Make It Bake It Fake It	January 9th	January 2nd
Little Black Dress	February 13	February 6th
Bunco	March 13	March 6th
Scholarship & Welfare Luncheon	April 10th	April 3rd
Bingo	May 8	May 1st

Reservation Policy: (questions may be directed to BOSCPreserve@gmail.com)

BOSC Reservation Policy The reservation deadline is the Tuesday one week before the luncheon. If you make a reservation and are unable to attend the luncheon you must cancel your reservation by the deadline. If you do not cancel your reservation by this date, you will be liable for the cost of the meal. Please understand that BOSC has guaranteed your attendance and in doing so has purchased this meal on your behalf.

If you invite a guest or have a permanent reservation, the same rules apply for canceling a reservation. If you fail to cancel the reservation by the reservations deadline, you will be charged for the cost of your meal and/or your guest's meal. No walk-ins will be accepted. Members must make a reservation in order to attend the luncheon since all meals are purchased in advance. Pre-paid lunches will not be refunded.

BOSC Childcare Reservation Policy

Childcare for our luncheons will be at the Woodlawn CDC. There are 5 spots available for BOSC luncheon members from 9:00 am to 2 pm. Regular CDC rates of \$4 per hour will apply and must be pre-paid. Children must be registered at the CDC, paperwork & orientation for hourly care must be completed (please stop by and check prior to your first use). Please call the Woodlawn CDC up to 30 days in advance or by the TUESDAY BEFORE the luncheon directly to make your reservation, 703-806-0350.

Password for secure part of website

For the password to our secure section of our website is 1718bosc

Be on the board

Every year we need to fill our entire elected Board of Directors. Consider joining us as we plan another exciting year of events and activities!

Vendor Coordinator: Recruits and selects vendors for monthly luncheons; collects vendor fees and/or donations. Contact Kari at BOSCpresident@gmail.com

Volunteer Coordinator: a. Recruits and coordinates members for volunteer staffing needs for club activities. b. Tracks volunteer hours and serves as VMIS Army Volunteer Corps Organization Point of Contact (OPOC). c. Attends all Board of Directors meetings. d. Attends all BOSC monthly luncheon meetings and major fundraising events. e. Keeps position files up to date through term of office. f. Submits and after action report upon departure or completion of term with the Board of Directors. Contact Kari at BOSCpresident@gmail.com

Publicity/webmaster: Responsible for the wonderful display in the Club restroom, contacts the media with all of our exciting events, and posts signs and flyers so the world knows what we are up to. This chairperson also maintains and updates the official BOSC website, Facebook and Twitter accounts. Contact Kari at BOSCpresident@gmail.com

Philanthropy

Thank you for supporting **USO of Metropolitan Washington-Baltimore** at our December luncheon! The **USO of Metropolitan Washington-Baltimore** continues to need assistance in stocking the food pantry. Please bring donations to our January luncheon.

Cereal	Dry pudding/baking mixes	Canned or dry soups
Canned fruit	Noodles	Canned chicken/tuna
Tomato sauce	Beans	Mac-n-cheese
Peanut butter	Rice	Jelly

For **Wreaths Across America**, we donated **98 wreaths** designated for Arlington National Cemetery.

For the month of January, we will be seeking volunteers to help with wreath removal at Arlington on Saturday, January 20, 2018. Wreath removal will begin at approximately 8:45 a.m. Opening Ceremony and Volunteer Instructional Briefing will start at 8:30 a.m. at the McClellan Arch Gate located just off Eisenhower Drive between Sections 33 and 12 on McClellan Drive. If you have any questions, please e-mail boscpilanthropy16@gmail.com.



Nominating Committee

January is the time to form the Nominating Committee. We need at least 5 members to serve on the committee to select nominees for the elected offices for the next club year. If you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee for Officers for next year, please contact Jan McKeever at boscpilanthropy16@gmail.com or see Jan at the January luncheon.

Fundraiser

The gift wrap fundraiser at Springfield Town Center wraps up on Christmas Eve. A heartfelt appreciation is extended to every board member and club member who generously donated the gift of time and supplies to this very worthy cause. We couldn't have done it without every one of you! Thank you!

Scholarships

Save the Date:

Scholarship applications available at <http://www.belvoirosc.org/scholarships.html>.

Who can apply:

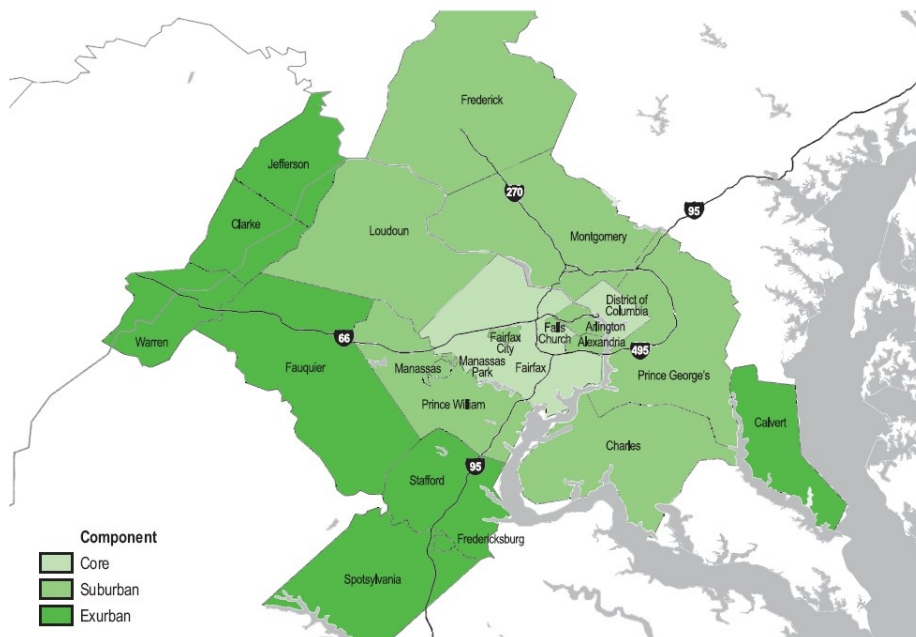
Eligibility: Each applicant must meet the following requirements:

1. You must be either a spouse or child/dependent (up to age 23) of an active duty, reserve, guard, deceased or retired military member of all services and ranks.
2. Eligible applicants or their sponsor must reside in the greater Washington D.C. area and have valid PCS orders for the Greater Washington Metro Area (map enclosed).
3. Child/dependent applicants (up to age 23) are eligible to apply for either the High School or Continuing Education Scholarships. These applicants must be a High School Graduate (by June 2018) and planning to pursue their undergraduate education at an accredited/licensed vocational/technical program; or an accredited 2 or 4-year college or university for the 2018-2019 academic year.
4. Past award recipients are eligible to receive a maximum of 2 BOSC scholarships in their lifetime.
5. To be considered for an award your completed application must be **postmarked no later than February 16, 2018** and mailed to:
BOSC Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 322
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

If you are interested in being a scholarship judge for 2018 or have any questions, please email at boscscholarship2016@gmail.com.

Last year we had over 83 applications, awarded 17 applicants for a total of \$22,500. If you know of an individual or organization that would like to directly contribute to the scholarship fund, please email boscscholarship2016@gmail.com. Also, remember that all proceeds from our annual gift wrapping fundraiser go towards scholarships and welfare grants. We appreciate your labor of love during the holiday season to brighten a military family during the scholarship ceremony!

Chart 1. Geographic designations for the 22 counties in the Washington metropolitan area



Special Activities

BOSC offers a little something for everyone. In addition to our regular monthly luncheons our Special Activities (sub clubs) offer a chance to enjoy diverse activities in a smaller group of individuals with similar interests. We offer both day and evening activities so all members can have a chance to participate.

All of our sub clubs currently require an RSVP through Evite to participate in their activities. If you missed the Super Sign-Up and would like to be on the invitation list for one of the clubs please contact the POC to be added. Once you have signed up to participate in a sub club you will receive an Evite for upcoming activities that will include specifics such as dates, location, RSVP deadlines, and other important information. BOSC special activity clubs are for those who have active membership only. Members may have a guest attend special activity clubs and events on a one time basis.

Hidden History will tour monthly; the other tour group will tour on a more limited basis. Tour groups will have a flexible schedule that is dependent on location availability. Although attempts will be made to avoid scheduling conflicts with other special activities, it may not always be possible.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1			Tea Group		Lunch Bunch		
2			BOSC Luncheon		Daytime Bunco (may change)	Treasure Hunter's Club	
3			Morning Book club	Cookbook Book Club			Dinner Club*
4		Morning Movie Group			Evening Bunco		

*Looking for a Leader

Our Special Activities groups would not exist without our volunteer leaders. If you are interested in leading one of our Special Activities groups next year please email BOSCSpecialActivities@gmail.com

Hidden History Club (Formerly The Geek Club)- POC: Sam Kinard

The Hidden History Club is for members who are interested in historical events, places, and people. We plan to take a tour each month to learn more about the history of our area and country. POC Email: sjskinard@gmail.com



Lunch Bunch– POC: Jackie Habel

Meet with us to enjoy lunch at area eating establishments. . POC Email: lunchbunchbosc@gmail.com



Daytime Bunco– POC: Looking for a Leader!

Meet for Bunco once a month during the day. POC email :Cathy Skidmore BOSCSpecialActivities@gmail.com (temporary)



Evening Bunco– POC: Monica Scrum

Join us the fourth Thursday of the month for a night of great food, lots of laughs, and plenty of dice rolling! POC Email: bscrum@aol.com



Special Activities

Treasure Hunters' Group– POC: Monica Scrum

Explore a wide array of local shopping opportunities from estate sales to specialty markets to tiny hidden shops. Usually lunch in the area is available, for those who want to join. POC Email: bscrum@aol.com



Cookbook Book Club– POC: Cathy Skidmore

Participants will choose to make something from any cookbook they choose that matches the theme, bring enough for the group to taste, along with the cookbook. . POC Email: BOSCSpecialActivities@gmail.com



Morning Movie Group– POC: Jennifer Stepetic

Join us for the matinee movie. POC Email: Stepetic@yahoo.com



Morning Book Club– POC: Louise Oliver

The group meets by the PX Starbucks to discuss group selected books. . POC Email: bookclubgirl-ie@yahoo.com.



Tea Time Group– POC: Linda Henry

Join us for formal tea at some the unique tea rooms scattered across the DC Metro Area. Our December Tea will be at the Springfield Golf and Country Club on December 5 at 11:30. Cost is \$33.00. POC Email: oma24@live.com.



Tours Group– POC: Cynthia Giesecke

If you are interested in joining the EVITE list, send request to cynthia.giesecke@gmail.com. Payments can be made by check and mailed to 1206 Gladstone Pl, Alexandria, VA 22308 or check/cash in person to Cynthia Giesecke at any of the luncheons. Reservation made is reservation paid and there will be no refunds. If you cannot attend, it is your responsibility to find someone to take your place and reimburse your

Upcoming Special tours:

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

President Lincoln's Cottage

11am-1pm

\$12.50 per person Payment due NLT January 9th
24 max

Open to BOSC members and 1 guest per member

Friday, March 9, 2018

U.S Capitol Tour

1:30 pm

No Fee

Open to BOSC Members ONLY

Friday, April 27, 2018

Hillwood Estate, Museum & Garden

Garden Tour: 10:30 a.m. Mansion Tour: 11:30 a.m.

Payment due NLT April 10

Departure Time 3 PM

\$30 per person, payment reserves spot

Open to BOSC Member and 1 guest per member

Wednesday, May 2, 2018

Anderson House & The American Revolution Institute of the Society of the Cincinnati

1:30PM

No Fee

55 people Max

Open to BOSC Members ONLY



Pictures



Vendors

All of our vendors are home based business. Please take a few moments to view the items they bring.

If you or someone you know has a home based business and would like to be a vendor at our luncheons please contact bosc2vp@gmail.com

Do you have a home based business?

Would you like to be a vendor at our luncheons?

Please contact bosc2vp@gmail.com for more information.

VENDOR CONNECTIONS



Your business could be featured here too!

Check out the last page for more details on how.

These vendors do not imply endorsement of the Belvoir Officers' Spouses' Club by Fort Belvoir, the Department of the Army, or the Department of Defense.

If you have a home based business and would like to be a vendor at our Luncheons or advertise with BOSC please contact at bosc2vp@gmail.com



The Belvoir Officers' Spouses' Club (BOSC) is a volunteer driven, private, 501(c)(4) nonprofit organization providing information, philanthropic and social opportunities to our members while making charitable contributions to our military and local communities.

Mailing Address:
PO Box 322
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

<http://www.belvoirosc.org>
#BOSC1718

**We are on the web,
Facebook and Twitter!**



Advertising Opportunities

With Belvoir Officers' Spouses' Club

BOSC has advertising opportunities for businesses in our Newsletter and on our website (www.boscosc.org). When you advertise with us, you have the potential to get your business' name out to over 300 Spouses' Club members.

Business Card Package

2' - 3.5" ad in our newsletter as well
as our website.

\$40 per year with customer provided graphics

\$60 per year with BOSC provided graphics