

September 2023



**The Troy**

# **Newcomers Topics**

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## **A Message from Your Board**

### **Kathy Mitter, V.P. Luncheons**

Hi Ladies,

My name is Kathy Mitter and I am working with Marie Watson to make this year's luncheons fun and entertaining. I have been a Newcomer for 2 years and this is my first year on the board. I have known Marie since high school, where fortunately we were not interested in the same guy, so we should work very well together.

Kurt and I have been married for 39 years. We have 2 daughters and 3 granddaughters. Next March we will be welcoming grandchild number 4 (sex still unknown). My mom, Joyce Utter, is also a club member.

We have a farmhouse in Tapiola, Michigan, but still rented a large house up North for a week-long family vacation. Me, Kurt, my mom, daughters, son-in-laws and the 3 girls. It was truly a fun time.

### **Marie Watson, V.P. Luncheons**

Hi Newcomers! I'm looking forward to working with one of my school chums to set-up our 2023-2024 luncheons. This is my third or fourth time doing this, so I feel like the old pro. I've been a club member for 14 years and participate in several activities. Last year I started attending the Book Club meetings and really enjoyed meeting some new people and the book discussions. Oh, and the food and drink never disappoints.

September's lunch will be at Griffin Claw Brewery. We hope to see you all there.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Board Meeting

Our next board meeting will take place at Escape on Friday, September 8th – 11:30am. Escape is located at 1950 E. Square Lake Rd. in Troy.

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles for the October Newsletter is, September 25th. Please send your articles to: [troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com](mailto:troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com).

**Sunshine/Rainy Day News:** In addition to rainy day news, I would also like to publish some of the happier events in our lives. If you or a member you know of (and they give permission) have happy, exciting news to announce, please let me know and I will publish that here as well!



## SEPTEMBER

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Kathy Mitter	6
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# September 28<sup>th</sup> Luncheon

At Griffin Claw

2265 Crooks Rd, Rochester Hills 48309

Meet at 12:00 pm

We're kicking off the luncheon season at a brewery for some good food, fun and reacquainting with friends.

Please select one of the following meals:

1. **Build Your Own Burger** - ½ # Angus Beef, served with Fries
2. **PVR Tacos** - Choice of Bang-Bang Shrimp or Breaded Cod, Cilantro-Lime Cream Drizzle on a flour tortilla with cabbage slaw and Pico & Chips
3. **Maurice Salad** - Shredded Lettuce with Ham, Turkey, Swiss, Egg, Gherkins and Green Olives
4. **Turkey Reuben** - Smoked Turkey, Creamy Cole Slaw, 1000 Island on Marble Rye, served with Fries

Cost \$20.00. Cash Bar for Beverages.

Deadline September 21<sup>st</sup>.

Mail checks (**Made Payable to Troy Newcomers**) and meal choice to: **Karen Patterson at 3508 Tothill Drive, Troy 48084.**

## **September, October and November Socials**

**Karen Gard & Monica DiMaggio – Co- Chairs**

**We excited to share that we have the next three months scheduled for Socials. Please RSVP per instructions below:**

**Friday, 9.22.23 – Funky Ferndale Art Fair**

**RSVPS due by 9.11.23**

**Please note that our parking location has changed since we published this info in the August newsletter.**



**Our first social of the year will be a trip down to Ferndale for the Funky Ferndale Art Fair on Friday, 9.22.23. The fair is comprised of over 140 juried Artists & Authors and will offer us the opportunity to also hear music and visit the Rust Belt Market.**

**Info on the Art Fair**

**<https://www.funkyferndaleartfair.com>**

**Info on The Rust Belt Market**

**<http://www.rustbeltmarket.com>**

**To make parking easier in Ferndale, we will be meeting at Granite City at 699 West Big Beaver at 2:15 pm, driving to Ferndale, then experiencing the fair at our own pace.**

**Our plan is to leave the fair at 6:00 and head to Granite City in Troy for our dinner reservation at 6:30 pm. RSVPs are due on Monday, 9.11.23 to Karen Gard at [kgard7@comcast.net](mailto:kgard7@comcast.net) or text or call Karen at 248.506.7412.**

**This will be a rain or shine event. If the weather is poor and you want to only attend the dinner, we can accommodate that. Please send the following info when you RSVP:**

**Will you carpool from Granite City?**

**Are you willing to be a driver? If so, how many can you accommodate including yourself?**

**Will you attend the dinner after the Art Fair at Granite City in Troy?**

**Will you only attend the dinner?**

**Yes, Count me in for ALL (Carpooling, Art Fair, Dinner)**

**Cell phone #:**

**We look forward to spending a lovely afternoon and evening with our fellow TNC ladies.**

**For questions, please contact either Monica DiMaggio at 586.246.8378 or Karen Gard at 248.506.7412.**

**Wednesday, 10.11.23 / Rain Date: Thursday, 10.12.23 from 11 am – 1 pm RSVPs due by 10.6.23**



**Bring a chair, pack a lunch, bring some money for cider and donuts, wear comfortable walking shoes if you want to walk the beautiful path and come spend a couple of hours with your TNC members at Yates Cider Mill. We have been told that construction should be completed by our event date(s). We will update everyone in next month's newsletter.**

**If it rains on Wednesday, we have set aside Thursday, 10.12.23 as our Rain Date day.**

**Please RSVP by 10.6.23 to Karen Gard at [kgard7@comcast.net](mailto:kgard7@comcast.net) or call or text 248.506.7412.**


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**Wednesday, 11.8.23 from 7 pm – 10 pm – Craft Event at a Member's Home RSVPs due by 10.19.23**

**Ladies  
Craft  
Night**

**Hold the date for a night of crafting. We will be making a mesh wreath of your choice. Details will be added closer to the event, but we wanted everyone to mark your calendars.**

**RSVPs will be due by 10.19.23 to Karen Gard at [kgard7@comcast.net](mailto:kgard7@comcast.net) or call or text 248.506.7412.**



*I would like to thank so many members of the club for your kindness after the death of my husband. The cards, texts, calls and prayers were so appreciated. It is in times like this that friendships such as yours are cherished.*

*Kathy Holm*

*Thank you, Accent Florist for donating the roses for our Awards this month! Please remember them for all your floral needs!*



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## Janet Gole - Publicity

To date, TNC attended two events this summer to promote our club. One still later in August.

### Troy Historic Village Summer Kick-Off - June 7

We had 4 volunteers, great TNC turn out! The Historic Village expected 200 to attend, unfortunately only around 80 came. We passed out 10 brochures. Although we didn't have the greatest turn-out, we five enthusiastically promoted our Club.

### Troy Garden Walk - July 12

Eleven TNC volunteered, discussing the merits of our Club to a flower and plant lovers. We closed early, at 5:00 pm, as the Troy Garden Club determined all booths should shut down due to the upcoming storms. We distributed 59 brochures, so hoping some join! Twelve ladies requested additional information; I sent them an email with our last newsletter.

### Troy Farmers Market - August 25

We have one more event, with 2+ TNC volunteers offering to assist. Hoping many future TNC members attend!

Is there an event you'd like us to attend to promote the Club? Send me an email! [janet.l.gole@gmail.com](mailto:janet.l.gole@gmail.com)



## ROSE AWARDS

Each month, Rose Awards are given in appreciation to members who have made an outstanding contribution to our club. White Rose Awards are presented to Board members and Red Rose Awards to non-board members.

### **RED ROSE – Kathy Holm, Interviewer**



I am very happy to be writing the Rose articles again this year. It gives me the chance to get to know many of our members just a little bit better. I have been a Newcomer for about 8 years (thanks to Marie Watson). I was on the board for several years both as Recording Secretary and V.P, Luncheons.

There are many things I enjoy about our club, bowling, luncheons, euchre and socials. This year I hope to add book club to the list. The thing I like most about our club is the wonderful friends I have made over the years.

I have 2 children and 2 grandchildren. Now, I know you are thinking, “Kathy, you can’t possibly be old enough to have grandchildren.” Well, next month I will be welcoming my second great-grandchild.

I am looking forward to this year’s interviews. Don’t forget to answer your phone when you see a 262- area code.



### **WHITE ROSE – Janet Gole, Publicity**

“Everyone knows our name,” or they will, with Janet in charge of publicity. This past summer the Newcomers participated in three events designed to present our club to the community. We had booths at the Troy Village Summer Kick-off, the Troy Garden Walk and the Troy Farmers Market. Janet was very insistent on giving credit to all the club members who volunteered to work these events.

Janet has been a Newcomer for 6 years. She joined after retiring from General Motors. Janet is married and has 3 boys. One son lives in Troy with her six-year-old grandson. Another lives in San Francisco with a 2-year-old grandson, and the third lives in Denver (no grandchildren, but she likes him anyway)

This summer has been all about family. In June a family reunion hosted 56 family members. In July they rented a house on Spider Lake with all the kids and grandkids. There they had access to kayaks and pontoons. She went camping in the Grayling-Petosky area and has another weekend trip coming up near Port Huron. To add to our jealousy Janet will be spending 2 months in Florida this February.

Janet attends luncheons, golfs and runs the book club. She encourages all members to try a new activity and perhaps volunteer to serve on the board.

A big thank you to Janet for all she does for the club.



## TNT Advertising Information

**Troy Newcomers offers an opportunity for businesses in Troy and surrounding areas to advertise at very reasonable rates. If you have a business, would like to recommend a business, or have any questions, please contact the Advertising Director at the following email:**

[advisor@troynewcomers.com](mailto:advisor@troynewcomers.com)

**RATES for DISPLAY ADS (per year):**

**Business Card - \$25**

**Half Page - \$75**

**Quarter Page - \$50**

**Full Page - \$100**

**Circulation of our newsletter is approximately 140. Your ad will also be posted on our website for no additional charge. Members can purchase a 30 word classified ad for \$5.00 per month (please note any classified ads will NOT be posted on the website). Ad payments are due before the newsletter deadline (25<sup>th</sup> of each month) Mail to: Troy Newcomers P.O. Box 103 Troy, MI 48099**



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## ACTIVITIES

### Book Club – Janet Gole, Activity Leader



Please join us at the **September 20** meeting, hosted by Monica DiMaggio. Her book is Ordinary Grace by William Kent Krueger. Its the story of Frank Drum, a boy on the cusp of manhood. A typical 13-year-old with a strong, loving family, Frank is devastated when a tragedy forces him to face the unthinkable—and to take on a maturity beyond his years.

Please contact Monica at [mdmaggio@comcast.net](mailto:mdmaggio@comcast.net) to confirm you will attend. We'll meet at 6:30 pm. Find her address within the TNC directory.

September weather is wonderful!! Join us for great conversation and fun!

### Bowling – Darcel Connors, Secretary



It is not too late to join our bowling league for the 2023-2024 season. We begin play on Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at the Escape Lanes located on Square Lake Rd at John R. We usually are done by 11:30am -12noon. The season concludes end of April. It is a very fun time and you do not need to have bowled before or have an established average. Shoes and house bowling balls are provided by the alley. We are also looking for subs if you cannot commit to a whole season. Please contact Darcel at [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net) or call at (248)396-5371.

### Daytime Euchre – Gina Kossick, Activity Leader



We do not have a host for September so we will not play this month. If anyone would like to host in October, please let me know soon if you can. You can pick any weekday except Thursday, starting at 9:15 am.

Thank You,  
Gina Kossick

## **Evening Euchre – Darlene Glaze, Activity Leader**



Welcome to our 2023/2024 season of euchre! We hope to attract new people to expand our euchre group. If you can play euchre, come join us for a Saturday evening. Come by yourself or bring a date.

We ask for volunteers to host a euchre party each month. The hostess will supply soda, coffee, and water. Attendees should BYOB and a dish to pass to share with the group. Euchre Party Fun dates —Thank you so much Amy, Claudia, and Darcel for volunteering to host a party. Put these dates in your calendar, and please let our hostesses know that you will be attending:

September 23, 2023 Home of Amy Strnad - Email [garagesalegroove@gmail.com](mailto:garagesalegroove@gmail.com)

October 21, 2023 Home of Claudia Sparschu - Email [csparschu@yahoo.com](mailto:csparschu@yahoo.com)

November 18, 2023 Home of Darcel Connors - Email [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net)

December 2, 2023. Home of Darlene Glaze - Email [darleneglaze@gmail.com](mailto:darleneglaze@gmail.com)

I need a hostess to volunteer for each month (January - May) next year- Please let me know if you can host a party. We have some rules to follow, but each hostess makes the decision of how many people to host in her home and what Saturday works for her.

See you Soon, Darlene [darleneglaze@gmail.com](mailto:darleneglaze@gmail.com) (248) 229-8077

## **Ladies Game Night – Jill Miceli, Activity Leader**



Ladies' Game Nights are a fun night of beginner-friendly games that the hostess chooses. She can pick a date and time that works for her and also plans some games. Light refreshments are served. We ask that if you regularly attend but do not host, you offer to bring something to help out the hostess. We play anything that the hostess picks out from cards, dominoes, board games, activity games, trivia and anything goes! Always lots of laughs and some good-natured competition.

As of now, no one has signed up to be a host in September. If that changes, an email will be sent out with details.

Please think about a month you would be willing to host and let Jill know. Please let me know if you would like to pick a date.

## **Mah Jongg – Jane Egermann, Activity Leader**



As September starts maybe your routine has changed a bit from the summer fun. If you still want to incorporate some fun into the fall and winter seasons consider coming to mah jongg.

Mah jongg is an ancient Chinese game (we play the American version) played with tiles. You attempt to match a set hand (okay, there are lots of variations on the individual hands) to achieve mah jongg.

We enjoy teaching new players, don't make you solo until you feel ready and have yummy treats at the morning session (some healthy ones too!)

Play is at the home of Jane Egermann (address in the directory) on the second Friday of the month (September 8) at 9:30 am and the fourth Friday of the month (September 22) at 1 pm.

Please contact Jane at [jane48085@yahoo.com](mailto:jane48085@yahoo.com) or her phone number in the directory if you plan to come, need directions or just want to be on the email list for reminders.

## **Meadowbrook Ushering – Marie Hochstein, Activity Leader**



### **CALLING ALL USHERS!**

As summer moves quickly forward, it is time to solidify your theatre plans! We are looking for ushers for the upcoming 2023-2024 Meadow Brook Theatre season. Our biggest needs are Thursday and Sunday. I have spoken with the Theatre and they will allow **additional ushers** this year to limit complications seen with no shows. I need a total of 50 ushers to cover our commitment and retain this long-standing activity. I am best reached by email at [MarieKBBH@comcast.net](mailto:MarieKBBH@comcast.net). My cell is 248-506-3560. Please provide your name, email address, preferred ushering day. These are static times and so individual play selection is not available. We plan to have a substitute list for dates you are limited from ushering.

Look over the planned 2023-24 schedule to assist in reviewing your prior commitment. I need to know if you are returning, so please email.

Our first play is Ken Ludwig's MORIARITY (A NEW MYSTERY). I have not as yet received our actual dates but in the past, it has been the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of play.

## **Scrapbooking – Debbie Risko, Activity Leader**



Come join us as we share and scrap our memories on September 25<sup>th</sup> from 11am – 4pm. We will meet at the Scrapbook Tree located at 48099 Van Dyke Ave, Shelby Township. The cost is \$10 or you can spend \$10 and crop for free.

## **Somerset Golf League 2023 Season** **Debbie Risko & Karen Hrit , Activity Leaders**



We had a great scramble with our end of the season luncheon at Shield's Thank You to a wonderful group of ladies, hope to see you all next year. Enjoy the rest of your summer.



## **Sylvan Glen Golf League 2023 Season – Gail Trendler, Activity Leader**



The Sylvan Glen Golf league wrapped up its' 16 week season on August 17th. Whew! That went fast! Mother Nature was friendly to us and made sure to not to rain on Thursday morning, so we have no rain outs to make up.

First place goes to Marti Forrer with 131 points, second place goes to Laurie Cunnings with 129 points, and third place goes to Pam Mayhew with 122 points. Way to go ladies!

Our end of season golf outing is scheduled for September 7th, at Glen Oaks golf course in Farmington Hills. We will enjoy a continental breakfast, play an 18 hole scramble format, and finish up with a luncheon and awarding of prizes. A big thank you goes to Alice Marrow and Cindy Parks for organizing our outing this year!

We are always looking for new golfers, so if you think you may like to join next year, please contact me ([gatrendler@gmail.com](mailto:gatrendler@gmail.com)) and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

## Wine Tasting – Ann Britton, Activity Leader



If you are interested in trying some new wines, enjoying good conversation and sampling a selection of appetizers and pot luck type dishes, consider attending a wine tasting evening.

The September wine tasting will be held on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. It will be hosted at the home of Monica Siesel. Please RSVP, Marcia at [marciasiesel@gmail.com](mailto:marciasiesel@gmail.com) by Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> if you plan to attend.

Each wine tasting evening is hosted by a Troy Newcomer member. The members attending may bring a spouse or friend, along with an appetizer, their wine glasses and \$10 per wine drinker which will contribute to the cost of the wine. Those who do not drink wine are welcome to attend, contributing an appetizer, but are not asked to pay the \$10. The hostess chooses the wines she would like to serve. The hostess supplies the coffee and desserts. This is held once a month on a Friday or Saturday evening of the hostess's choice beginning at 6:30pm.



## 2023 – 2024 Volunteers

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# September

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## Troy Newcomers Events



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24	25 Scrapbooking Newsletter Articles Due	26	27	28 Luncheon	29	30 Winetasting