

December 2023



The Troy

Newcomers Topics

A Message from Your Board

Karen Patterson, Business Luncheon Secretary

Hello, my name is Karen Patterson. As Business Luncheon Secretary it is fun to learn new names when I receive Luncheon reservations. Making the name tags gives me a chance to put names with faces. Picking up the roses for rose awards gave me an opportunity to order a dish garden sent to my Chicago kids. It was love at first sight with all the new plants for their garden room. Thanks to Accent Florist for the wonderful suggestion.

This is my second time as a member of Troy Newcomers. I was a member years ago when there was still M.I.N.T.S. I have really enjoyed meeting new friends and being a part of the Board.

My husband of 54 years and I have two children, 2 adorable grandchildren, 4 fur babies of our own and 4 grand fur babies. Our daughter and her family live in Chicago. Our son and daughter-in-law live in Rochester Hills.

I have the great privilege of spending lots of weekends with our son at craft shows. RareBear Woodcrafts keeps us both very busy during the season.

Hope to see many of you at a luncheon.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Meeting

Our next board meeting will take place at Escape on Thursday, December 7th–11:30am. Escape is located at 1950 E. Square Lake Rd. in Troy.

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles for the January Newsletter is, December 26th. Please send your articles to: troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com.



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December 14th Luncheon

Da Francesco's

49251 Van Dyke, Shelby Twp 48317

Meet at 12:00 pm

This year we are back at Da Francesco's for a delicious meal in a beautiful holiday setting. For entertainment we will once again have an optional \$20 gift exchange. Bring a wrapped or bagged gift and enjoy the exchange that is good for a couple of laughs and lots of holiday merriment. Price for the meal is \$32.50, Pay Pal is \$34.18.

The meal will be served family style and includes:

- Penne Pasta with Meat Sauce
- Pollo Florentine – Tender chicken breast medallions sautéed in oil, garlic and Italian herbs with spinach and fresh sliced mushrooms in a light wine parmesan cream sauce.
- Potatoes Santa Anna
- Green Beans Almondine
- Meals include fresh baked bread and green garden salad.
- Non-alcoholic beverages are included.

Deadline December 7th. Sorry about the short notice but we have to call our headcount in 7 days in advance.

Mail checks payable to Troy Newcomers and mail to Karen Patterson at 3508 Tothill Drive, Troy 48084.

November Luncheon Recap

After a very tasty meal at the Clawson Steak House, we heard our guest speaker, Mark Cunningham from Grace Centers for Hope educate and inspire us with the mission of the center and its many success stories. We are glad to be partnering with this very worthy center for our charitable giving this holiday season.



Michele Burns, Service Thanksgiving Update

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

The Thanksgiving food drive was a huge success!! Rick Rademaker, Director of Faith Lutheran's Food Pantry, was quite taken back when I gave him a check for over \$500 and groceries valued over \$300. You ladies were quite a force to help area needy families and seniors this Thanksgiving!!



Christmas Family Adoption

Moving right along to the next holiday....

Our Christmas project will be done in conjunction with Grace Centers of Hope. Grace Centers of Hope is a non-profit organization that provides housing, meals, and services to help people who are struggling with homelessness, addiction, and poverty. This year we have adopted a mom with 4 children to support. If you are interested in helping by buying a gift, gift tags will be available at bowling Nov. 30 and Dec.7, Evening Euchre Dec. 2, and Mah Jongg Dec. 8. If you will not be attending any of these events or would like a tag sooner (Black Friday sales are coming!) please call me at 248-408-2494 (leave a message if I don't answer) to receive a specific item to purchase. I can then take that item off the list 😊

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If you don't have time to shop but still want to help, monetary donations are gladly accepted. You can either (1) drop off cash or a check made out to "Troy Newcomers Club" with "Christmas" in the memo at bowling, evening euchre or mah jongg; (2) mail a check to Troy Newcomers, P.O. Box 103, Troy, MI 48099 or (3) donate by PayPal on the Newcomers website Service/Fundraising page; or (4) monetary donations will be collected at the luncheon on Dec. 14. All monetary gifts (with the exception of those collected at the luncheon) are **DUE by Wednesday, Dec.13.**

Here's some information to get to know a little about our family. The school age children attend Clawson schools.

LaKenya Mack – Mom

- Lakenya's favorite color is lavender. Her style is sporty/comfy/soccer mom.

Riley Mack – Age 4, Female

- Riley is shy but loves to play video games and play outside. Her favorite color is pink and she loves PJ Mask, unicorns and rainbows.

Aubri-Rose Finley – Age 6, Female

- Aubri-Rose is a very girly-girl. Her favorite color is purple and she loves make-up, nail polish and dressing up!

Tyler Jenkins – Age 14, Male

- Tyler is a very modest and shy young man. He loves anime, playing football and video games with his friends. He loves to watch movies with the family and play board games.

Le'ila Sears – Age 16, Female

- Le'ila is very athletic. She plays basketball, volleyball and runs track. She is very sporty and graduates this year. Her favorite color is purple.

Gifts may be dropped off at the following locations by **Dec.13** or call Michele to arrange a pickup.

- Bowling (Nov. 30 & Dec.7), Evening Euchre (Dec 2), Mah Jongg (Dec 8)
- Michele Burns – 2953 Roxbury Drive, Troy, 248-408-2494
- Kathy Mitter – 334 South Blvd, Rochester Hills – 248-613-0183
- Jill Miceli – 2337 Palmetto, Troy – 248-828-3499

If you have any questions, need a gift tag, or would like to make arrangements for a pickup, please call me at 248-408-2494. If I don't see you at an event, I wish you a very **Happy and Healthy Holiday Season!** Michele Burns, Service micheleburns@gmail.com or #248-408-2494.

Karen Gard & Monica DiMaggio Social Co-Chairs

Let's Get SOCIAL in December & January

For December, we will be taking a break from a formally scheduled Social, but we have a few options that might be interesting events to attend with minimal coordination required. If you are interested in attending one of these and would like to try to sit with other TNC members, text Karen (248.506.7412) and she will set up a cell phone list for communication between everyone wishing to attend.

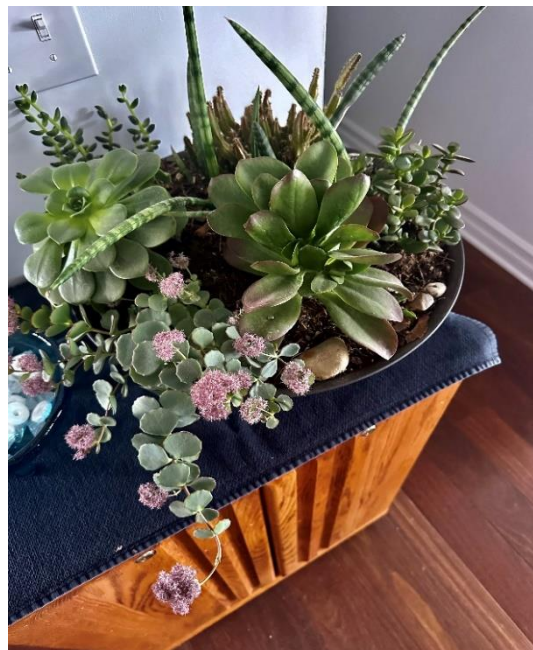
- **12.7.23 ~ Winter Band Concert** in the **Troy High School** Auditorium. The Winter Concert provides a break from the hustle and bustle of the holidays. Admission is FREE and starts at **7:00 pm**.
- **12.12.23 ~ Winter Band Concert** in the **Athens High School** Auditorium. This is always a great way to put you in the Holiday Spirit. The concert is FREE and starts at **7:00 pm**.

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**Hold the Date! Friday, 1.26.24 from 1:00 – 2:00ish!** Winter doesn't mean we have to cover up our green thumbs! In January, we will be attending an in-store, hands-on workshop at Telly's Greenhouse where we will learn how to create a Succulent Dish Garden of our choice. One of Telly's Specialists will walk us through how to choose our dish garden, and the succulents that will go in our vessel, as well as give us tips on putting it together and how to care for them. The cost for the workshop starts at \$35 (includes vessel and succulents) but from there you will have complete control of upgrading to a different dish garden and add as many succulents as your pocketbook will allow. If you have a favorite vessel and want to bring it to the class, you will only be charged for the succulents and a small class fee.

I (Karen) have personally taken this class four years ago and my dish garden is still thriving. I've had to change out a couple plants over the years as they didn't do well going from indoors to outdoors and vice versa, but the majority is still gorgeous. See picture!

**RSVPs are due by Wednesday, 1.17.24** so we can reserve your seat at Telly's. There is a maximum of 20 seats available. Text Karen at 248.506.7412 or email [kqard7@comcast.net](mailto:kqard7@comcast.net).



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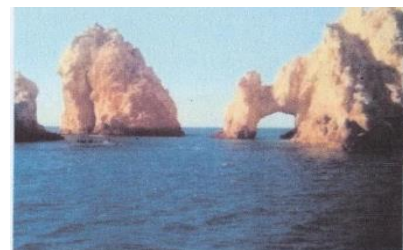
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## **RED ROSE AWARDS**

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.

### **WHITE ROSE- Karen Gard & Monica DiMaggio, Social Co-Chairs**

Both Karen and Monica joined the Newcomers to meet new people and make new friends. They met at the 2020 kick – off meeting at Raintree Park, signed up for Book Club and eventually became involved in more and more activities. When asked to join the board, they both said yes and that is why we are able to attend these wonderful socials.

Karen and her husband, Marcel relocated to Michigan in 2020 and have recently moved from a colonial to a more manageable ranch home. As luck would have it, the move necessitated a kitchen remodel. Hopefully, at the time of this publication, Karen should be happily cooking in her new kitchen.

Karen attends book club meetings, game nights, luncheons and is a sub for bowling.

In addition to New Orleans style cooking, Karen loves gardening and travel. Karen and Marcel have made several trips to Europe as well as Australia and Hawaii. Karen remarked on how “Traveling feeds my soul.” Karen’s son is a newly minted physician’s assistant. He works at an urgent care where I will shortly attempt to negotiate discounted rates for club members and other friends of his mom. She is able to work from home and has very flexible hours.

On the other hand, her co-chair Monica will not be retiring until next year. Monica is a RN at St. Joe’s Hospital in Pontiac. Retirement will give Monica and her husband Richard, more time to travel and in true Newcomer fashion, spend more time with their grandchildren. They have two sons and two grandchildren. A little girl six years old and a little boy, eight years.

In addition to Book Club, luncheons and socials, Monica is a golfer. She belongs to the Somerset Golf League. (Handi-cap not disclosed). When not working or planning one of our socials, Monica likes to garden, kayak and cook. She recently has taken up painting with watercolors. Monica and Richard spend much of the summer at their cottage in Hale. They have been to Italy twice and are planning a trip to Ireland next May. Their bucket list includes a trip out West to visit the canyons. Monica said that “making friends and being with other women gives me a purposeful life”.

Both Monica and Karen joined Newcomers to meet new people and make new friends. It appears they are succeeding. Our thanks to both ladies for taking on a leadership role in our club.



## **Rose Awards, continued**

### **RED ROSE- Lynn Sarosik, Bowling President**

Qualcuno, parla Italiano? Our December Red Rose recipient, Lynn Sarosik speaks Italian and is looking for someone to converse with. If you speak Italian, you can find Lynn every Thursday morning at bowling. She also participates in game nights, wine tasting, luncheons and Meadowbrook ushering. Lynn also plays the piano. If any Newcomers play a musical instrument and would be interested in playing with Lynn's very small group, please let her know. Lynn's other hobbies include jogging, walking, biking and line dancing. In her spare time (Ha Ha) Lynn volunteers at Gleaners Food Bank and ushers at the Detroit Institute of Art Film Theater.

Many of us remember last year's Parade Company Tour. (Thank you, Jill) Lynn has been a parade volunteer for 25 years. She was on the DTE float in a hard hat and yellow vest this year. She has even worn a paper mâché mask.

Of course, Lynn would not be a true Newcomer if she did not love to travel. Last summer she and her husband, Bob took a European River cruise. Luckily for Lynn, her niece works for the State Department, so she has been able to visit her in Southeast Asia, Bolivia, Peru, and Croatia. She has also been able to visit her sister in Alaska.

Lynn has only been a Newcomer since last March. She joined for bowling and went from a sub to President of the League in one season. Lynn has been very impressed with the Newcomers organization and communication via the newsletter. (Thank you, Darcel)

Our thanks to Lynn for all her work with the club.



## ACTIVITIES



### Book Club – Janet Gole, Activity Leader

Please join us at the **December 20** meeting, hosted by Darcel Connors. Her book is Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus. A story about a feminist hero who never stops pushing for what's right. She's a frustrated chemist finding herself at the helm of a cooking show that sparks a revolution. Read about Elizabeth Zott: hellbent on overturning the status quo one meal at a time. Please contact Darcel at [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net) or **248-396-5371** to confirm you will attend. We'll meet at 6:30 pm. Find her address within the TNC directory. As customary, we'll have a voluntary gift book exchange. If you choose, bring a new or used wrapped book. Join us for some pre-Christmas holiday fun! Books are a uniquely portable magic. Hope everyone has a **magical holiday!**

### Bowling – Darcel Connors, Secretary



With seven weeks of bowling under our belts, injuries and illness continue to plague the league. Currently, Team #1 (Sue Jones, Darcel Connors and Laura Carlin) has taken 1<sup>st</sup> place. Followed by Team #6 (Bobbie Fantin, Ardin Moenaert and Lynn Sarosik), Team #2 (Sue Dlouhy, Terry Slater and Pam Cheli) is in third. Fourth place is held by Team #4 (Kathy Holm, Pam Mayhew and Gina Kossick) In fifth place we have Team #8 (Mary Ellen Alampi, Diana Alexanian and Jane Egermann) Sixth Place is held by Team #5 (Marissa Hunter, Marie Watson and Barb Emmer) Rounding up seventh place is Team #7 (Darlene Glaze, Kaoru Goda and Denise Nicholson) and lastly but in no way least is Team #3 (Jill Miceli, Gail Trendler and Carol Henderson). Barb Emmer had a fantastic game and has taken the season's high game (202) and series (537). Team #1 still holds the season Team high game and the season's high series is held by Team #5. We will resume bowling on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November after being off for Thanksgiving. We are still taking names of substitute bowlers. Please contact Darcel at [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net) if you would like your name added to our list.

### Daytime Euchre – Gina Kossick, Activity Leader



We are NOT playing in December due to Holidays and no hostess sign up.

We will play again on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 9:15 am at the home of Darcel Connors. Darcel lives in Rochester Hills (see directory for address). Please RSVP to her by Friday, January 12, 2024!!! at 248-396-5371 or email at: [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net). If you are not a regular hostess, let Darcel know if you wish to bring a breakfast item for that morning.

**A Big Thank You** to “Gina Kossick, (Me ) for hosting in November and all that brought food! Hope to see everyone for a fun day of coffee, food, fun and laughter, and of course " **Some Euchre Playing**”, if we can fit it in!

## Evening Euchre – Darlene Glaze, Activity Leader



Come join us for a fun filled evening playing Euchre at the home of Darlene Glaze on Saturday, December 2nd, at 6:45pm. Please let Darlene know you are coming [darleneglaze@gmail.com](mailto:darleneglaze@gmail.com)

Thank you, Darcel Connors, for hosting our November Euchre Party! Our winners were Amy Strnad 1st place, Darlene Glaze 2nd place, and a 3-way tie for 3rd place goes to Marie Hochstein, Sherry Dittrich, and Mike Tauscher.

On January 13th come have a good time playing euchre at the home of Marie Hochstein. Please let Marie know you are coming [mariebbh@comcast.net](mailto:mariebbh@comcast.net)

## Ladies Game Night – Jill Miceli, Activity Leader



We will not have a game night in December. Enjoy your holidays.

Our next game night will be hosted by Gina Kossick on January 10, 2024 at 7:00. Please let Gina know if you are able to attend.

## Mah Jongg – Jane Egermann, Activity Leader



If your December calendar has a few empty hours take a break from the hectic holiday season and come play mah jongg at the home of Jane Egermann on December 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am and/or December 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1 pm. Instead of thinking about cooking and wrapping you can concentrate on flowers and jokers. While winds may be blowing outside, they'll almost certainly be blowing inside. (Hardly anybody collects them!) Even if you don't understand the last three sentences, you are welcome to come learn the game. We love new recruits!

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

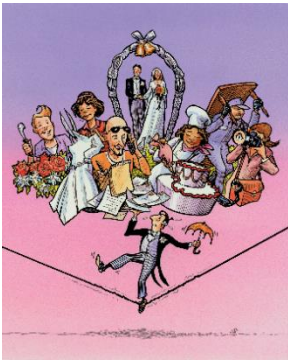


Merry Holidays ushers!

This is a crazy, albeit wonderful season and it is no different at the Theatre. Last month, I provided the details surrounding A Christmas Carol. They bear repeating, I think. This is the most well attended play of the season and each of you are needed at your assigned position. We usher THURSDAY, December 7<sup>th</sup> to Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup>. All WEDNESDAY ushers have been reassigned to

cover additional weekend plays. If you are Wednesday matinee, please report December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM. If you are Wednesday evening, please report Sunday December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. I know many of you have seen the play in the past, but there are some new actors that may surprise you!

## Meadowbrook Ushering, Continued



# Father of the Bride

To plan ahead- Father of the Bride, by Caroline Francke is our January play. While it is 2 months off, mark your calendars for the week including January 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024! More to come in next newsletter. This should be a humorous adaptation of the beloved book and Steve Martin film!

Have a blessed and happy holiday season. **“God bless us everyone!” Tiny Tim**

## Scrapbooking – Debbie Risko, Activity Leader



There will be no scheduled scrapbooking for the month of December. Please look for a January date in the next newsletter. Happy Holidays!

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



Please look for information on joining our league in the Spring of 2024.

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



Information regarding the Sylvan Glen Golf League will be posted early in 2024. But, if you are interested in joining a sub, please feel free to contact me at any time at [gatrendler@gmail.com](mailto:gatrendler@gmail.com)

## Wine Tasting – Ann Britton, Activity Leader



Add an extra Happy to your Holidays by attending the December wine tasting.

Join us as we celebrate the season at the December wine tasting. The December wine tasting will be at Martha Brosseau's home on December 23 at 6:30pm. RSVP, Martha Brosseau at [marthabrosseau6@gmail.com](mailto:marthabrosseau6@gmail.com) by December 20.

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 wines. 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

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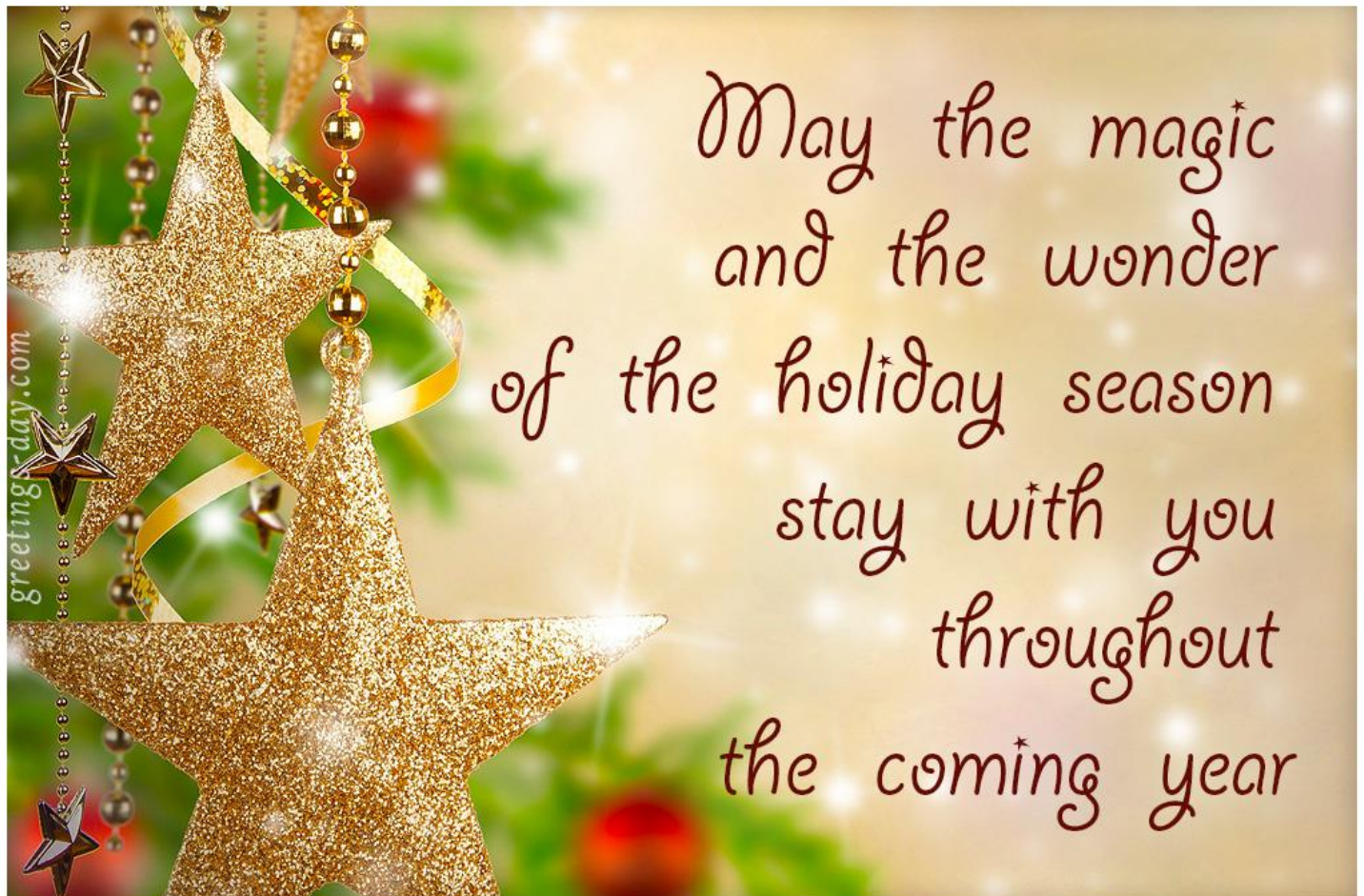


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# December

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|                      |                        |                                  |                                         |                                           | 1             | 2<br>Evening Euchre |
| 3                    | 4                      | 5                                | 6                                       | 7<br>Bowling<br>Board Meeting<br>Ushering | 8<br>Ushering | 9<br>Ushering       |
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