

March 2024



**The Troy**

# **Newcomers Topics**

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## **A Message from Your Board**

### **Barb Emmer – Website**

Happy Almost Spring, Ladies! I hope you like all the activities our Club has to offer. Myself, I enjoy bowling, euchre, mah jongg, luncheons and the great friends I've made. As your Webmaster, it's my job to put our activities and luncheons on our website and I love seeing what our coordinators have planned each month. Whether it's the charities our Club supports, the Socials being planned or new restaurants booked for our luncheons, our volunteers have great ideas. If you have any suggestions for the website, please contact me. Or if you have any pictures to post on our site, please email them directly to me at [busy\\_be@comcast.net](mailto:busy_be@comcast.net). Thank you to everyone who has put their time and effort into making this a great Club.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Board Meeting

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

### Newsletter Deadline

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

### Rainy Day News

Our heartfelt condolences to Darlene Conroy and Debbie Risko on the passing of their mother.

HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY

March

Terry Slater	3
Alice Marrow	7
Carol Kelly	7
Kathie Mardyla	8
Marilyn Brown	9
Carole Packla	15
Marie Watson	16
Diana Moseley	20
Amy Strnad	20
Darlene Glaze	22
Susan Verbaan	25
Denise Nicholson	25
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Sue Brady	30

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**March 28th Luncheon  
Kyoto Steak House  
14235 Hall Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
Meet at 12:00 pm**

Now that it's spring, let's venture out of Oakland County and head to Shelby Twp. and try out the newly opened **Kyoto Steak House**. This is a new building and it is very handsomely appointed. We will be entertained by some quick moving utensils and maybe a flying shrimp or two.

**Meal choices are:**

Hibachi New York Strip - \$16.80, \$17.92 on PayPal

Hibachi Chicken - \$15.60, \$16.67 on PayPal

Hibachi Shrimp - \$16.80, \$17.92 on PayPal

Hibachi Scallops - \$18.00, \$19.16 on PayPal

All hibachi lunches come with soup, salad, mixed vegetables, and rice. Beverages are not included.

**Deadline March 22nd**

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



## February Luncheon Recap

We had a very hearty and delicious meal at Noni's Restaurant. After our usual meeting business, our Guest Speaker Susan Oleson gave a very interesting and informative talk on Thomas Jefferson. (Being it was President's Day). He was a statesman, diplomat, lawyer, architect and Founding Father. He served as our Vice President, then President. He was also the primary writer of our Declaration of Independence.



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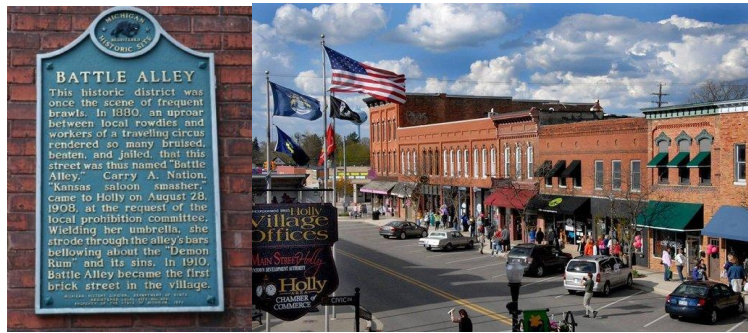
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**Mail to: Troy Newcomers P.O. Box 103 Troy, Michigan 48085**

Monica DiMaggio & Karen Gard  
Social Co-Chairs

## Let's Get Social in March



Thursday, 3.21.24 ~ 10:30 am -???

Join us on Thursday, 3.21.24 for “A Vintage Venture to Historic Holly and Battle Alley”. We will be carpooling to downtown Holly for a fun excursion to explore the shops and restaurants, most housed in lovely historic buildings, for a late morning/afternoon event. Below are some of the places we hope to explore:

### ANTIQUES & VINTAGE TREASURES

- The Vintage Farmhouse (about 30 vendors offering, antiques, home goods, homemade crafts) - about 1/4 mile off Main Street.
- Holly Antiques - Haunted. (Two floors, 35 vendors, antiques of all types and vintage goods. Bats In the Belfry upstairs with more vintage things, shabby chic, and consignment).
- Blue Willow Exchange - (30 vendors, vintage, antique and unique items with several French inspired decor items).
- Home Improvement/Vintage Home Goods
- Pigeon in the Parlour
- Altered Designs
- Monarch Home Design - (antique and vintage furniture and home goods, some homemade items) about 1/2 mile from downtown, so we would drive there.
- Boutiques and Clothing
- It's A Doozy
- The Stone Loft
- Creative Fashions of Holly
- Rags-N-Relics

### GOOD EATS

- Cupcakes and Kisses
- Holly Cafe
- Bittersweet Cafe
- Avia Family Dining
- Battle Alley Coffee Co.

Once we have an attendance count, we can make lunch plans for one of these establishments.

The Vintage Farmhouse and Monarch Home Design are probably too far to walk in winter from the main part of downtown, but they are worth exploring. The Vintage Farmhouse is closer, but still not on Main Street. The Farmhouse does open at 10:00 am; however, Holly Antiques does not until 11:00. We would plan on driving to these.

We plan to meet at the Park and Ride north of Square Lake on Adams at 10:30 am. Carpool arrangements will be made when we get a final count. Pat Wehrung graciously offered to be our guide and has extensive knowledge and expertise about Downtown Holly. Our day will be unstructured if you prefer to venture in smaller groups to explore but would like to share lunch together.

If you are looking to get a head-start on some decor ideas and add some SPRING in your step, please join us for this event. RSVP by Friday, 3.15.24 to [kgard7@comcast.net](mailto:kgard7@comcast.net) or text Karen at 248.506.7412. When responding, please include your name, email address and cell phone number so we can add you to the distribution list for the event.

## **SERVICE – Michele Burns**

As our service projects for this year come to an end, I'd like to ask each of you if you know of any charities to be considered for next years' service projects? For Thanksgiving, I'm looking for a food bank or pantry that serves members of our communities. Holiday/Christmas, some charity where we can adopt a family or two preferably where we can get the names in late October or early November so we aren't rushed.

Spring/Easter, a charity that helps children or seniors. Or really any charity that helps others and would appreciate our help! If you have an organization in mind, please email me their website or general information so they can be considered.

The last of the donations for our Spring/Easter Service Project – Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor will be collected after this article is due so I don't have the final tally. I'm once again amazed at our club's generosity. So far, you have donated over \$700 to be divided among Meijer, Kroger, Joann's and Michael's gift cards for the school to purchase fresh food and art/craft supplies for the children. I'll give you the final donation amount in the April newsletter. You can learn more about Penrickton at <https://penrickton.org/>.

Thank you once again for your generosity!

Michele Burns – [micheleburns@gmail.com](mailto:micheleburns@gmail.com)

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## **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- Martha Brosseau, Treasurer**

Thankfully, Martha has once again stepped up to volunteer as our club treasurer. She has also rolled the membership secretary position into her duties.

Thanks to a Troy neighbor Martha found the Newcomers. She has been a Newcomer for 26 years and has been an active member from the beginning. Her first board position was that of Treasurer. Martha has also served as V.P. of Luncheons. She has overseen Socials and Publicity. Martha has been President and Advisor. For the past few years, she has once again served as Treasurer, and our books always balance!

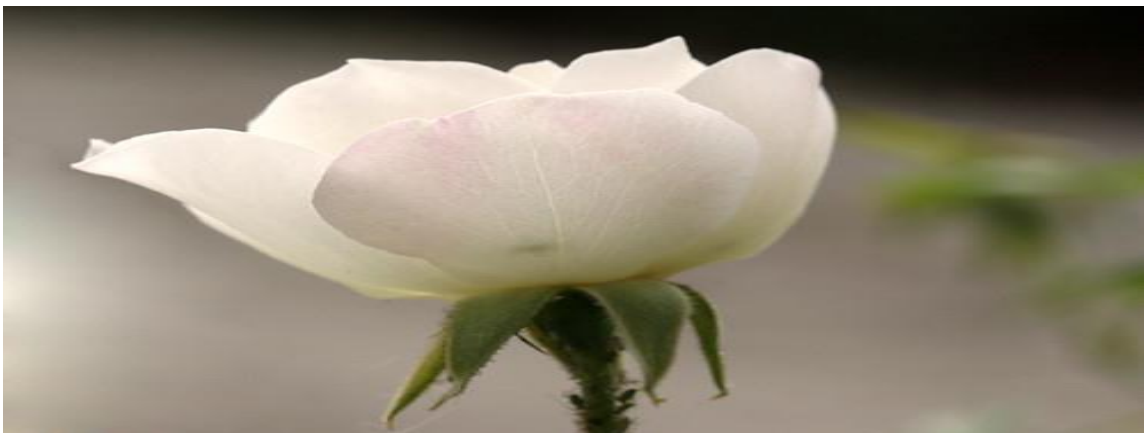
Martha participates in wine-tasting, euchre and luncheons. In prior years, Martha has been in our bowling league and there is a good chance she will be back next year.

I interviewed Martha as she and her husband, Mike were on their way to their cottage in Indian River. They were planning on attending the Indian River Winter Festival, where there is skating, sledding entertainment and of course food. They were planning on meeting up with friends for dinner in Petoskey. Sadly, this was their first trip without their much-loved dog, Oliver.

Martha and Mike travel to Florida every spring in May. Their summers are spent with family members at their cottage in Indian River. Her twin sister, who lives in Texas, has a cottage on the same lake. There, they are able to enjoy all types of watersports. Martha particularly enjoys boating (and eating).

Martha and Mike have been married for 33 years and have 2 children. One son and one daughter. As of this printing there are no grandchildren.

We all wish to thank Martha for all she does for the club.



## **RED ROSE- Darlene Glaze, Evening Euchre**

The club wishes to thank the retiring MaryAnn Donnelly for organizing nighttime euchre for years. We also wish to thank Darlene Glaze for stepping up and doing a wonderful job this past year.

Darlene accepted the position because she likes to play cards and says, "The people who play euchre are a lot of fun." Darlene encourages Euchre players to come and play.

Darlene has been a Newcomer for about 8 years. She has previously served on the board as V.P. of luncheons, President, Advisor and has organized our Socials.

In addition to Euchre, Darlene enjoys ushering at Meadowbrook, Bowling and Book Club. As an avid reader, Book Club gives her the opportunity to read books of different genres. One of this year's selections was "The Reading List"

### **SPOILER ALERT**

In the book, a main character, by the name of Aiden, commits suicide. Darlene read this part at about 1:00 in the morning. As she was reading, she was crying and woke her husband. He was very concerned until he found out why she was crying, then not so much. Yes, they are still married.

In addition to hosting euchre, Darlene hosts almost monthly family card games with her sister, her niece and her eldest granddaughter.

Last year Darlene took singing lessons. This year she is taking piano lessons. What a talented lady!

Darlene and Tom enjoy their 2 sons and 3 grandchildren. Thank you, Darlene for all you do for the club.





## ACTIVITIES



### Book Club – Janet Gole, Activity Leader

Please join us at the **March 20** meeting, hosted by Marie Watson. Her book is *White Chrysanthemum* by Mary Lynn Bracht. A heartbreaking historical novel of Korea through the deeply moving and redemptive story of two sisters separated by World War II.

Please contact Marie at [marie.watson561@gmail.com](mailto:marie.watson561@gmail.com) or **586-947-7836** to confirm you will attend. We'll meet at 6:30 pm. Find her address within the TNC directory.

*The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go.*

### Bowling – Darcel Connors, Secretary



We are 19 weeks in, and the competition is heating up. We have had a bit of confusion with the alley on a couple of issues. But, hopefully, after careful checking on both of our parts, we have resolved those issues! Team #5 (Marissa Hunter, Marie Watson & Barb Emmer) has moved up in the ranks to #1, in part due to Barb holding the honor of most turkeys (20) and highest game and series for the season. Second Place is held by Team #6 (Bobbie Fantin, Ardin Moenaert and Lynn Sarosik), dropping into 3<sup>rd</sup> Place is Team #2 (Pam Cheli and Terry Slater). 4<sup>th</sup> Place is held by Team #8 (Mary Ellen Alampi, Diana Alexanian and Jane Egermann). In 5<sup>th</sup> place we have Team #4 (Kathy Holm, Pam Mayhew and Gina Kossick). Rounding out the remaining places we have in order, Team #1 (Sue Jones, Darcel Connors and Laura Carlin), Team #7 (Darlene Glaze, Kaoru Goda and Denise Nicholson) and lastly but most certainly not least... we have Team #3 (Jill Miceli, Gail Trendler and Carol Henderson). All teams have been plagued this year with injuries and sickness. We hope we are all on the mend and can continue the season healthy and injury free! If you would like to join us as a substitute bowler, please contact Darcel at [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net).

### Daytime Euchre – Gina Kossick, Activity Leader



We are playing this month on **Monday**, March 11 at 9:15 am at the home of Debbie Risko. Debbie lives in Troy, see directory. Please RSVP to her by Friday, March 8 at 248-840-6623 or email: [dgrisko1@gmail.com](mailto:dgrisko1@gmail.com).

If you are not a regular hostess, let Debbie know if you wish to bring a breakfast item for that morning. We are beginner friendly and always looking for new people, so invite a new friend or come on by.

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



We played euchre for the month of February at my home. The first-place winner was Karen Patterson, second place - Chuck Twigg, and Third place was me.

March 23 euchre will be played at the home of Darcel Connors. It starts at 6:45pm, and let Darcel know you will be there - [darcelc@prodigy.net](mailto:darcelc@prodigy.net)

Anyone available to host our April Euchre Party, send me an email [darleneglaze@gmail.com](mailto:darleneglaze@gmail.com)

## Ladies Game Night – Jill Miceli, Activity Leader



Jill Miceli will host this month on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00. Please let her know if you are able to attend at 248-828-3499.

We are looking for a hostess for May. Please let Jill know if you want to pick a date to hos

## Mah Jongg – Jane Egermann, Activity Leader

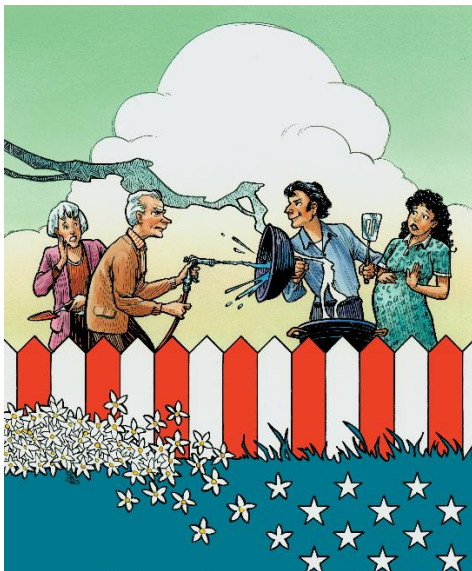


Almost time for the new card to arrive! Can't wait to see what hands the Mah Jongg League comes up with for 2024!

The confirmed play dates for March will be Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the home of Jane Egermann and Friday the 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1 pm at the home of Terry Slater.

Please let Jane know if you plan to attend on the 8<sup>th</sup> or need directions to her house. Her email is [jane48085@yahoo.com](mailto:jane48085@yahoo.com). Please let Terry know if you plan to attend on the 22<sup>nd</sup> or need directions to her house. (Yes, it's right around the corner from Jane's.) Terry's email is [terryslater@live.com](mailto:terryslater@live.com).

## Meadowbrook Ushering – Marie Hochstein, Activity Leader



# NATIVE GARDENS

It is almost March! I am ready for a comedy, are you? We will meet Pablo, Tania, and neighbors Virginia and Frank in the new production of Native Gardens. Pablo and Tania are new home owners who unknowingly find themselves immersed in a long standing fence line disagreement with their stalwart neighbors. The disagreement spirals into a hilarious all-out war over taste, class, priveledge and entitlement. I certainly hope this has never happened to any of you. Sitting in a theatre seat and watching from afar is sure to generate laughter. We will most likely leave grateful for our own good neighbors. Thank you ushers for a great season so far! See you next in theatre April 3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Scrapbooking – Debbie Risko, Activity Leader**



Come join us as we share and scrap our memories on March 8<sup>th</sup> from 11:15 to 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 in product and crop for free. Please let Debbie know if you can attend.

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



Somerset Golf League 2024 Season  
Karen Hrit & Deb Risko Activity Leader  
Thursday morning at Somerset Golf Club  
10-week league, June 13 through August 15  
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If the course is closed due to inclement weather, we will receive rain checks.  
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You must also sign-up for membership with Troy Newcomers Club  
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Attention: Membership Secretary  
Please put on check your birthday and email address

The cost is \$25.00 if renewing and \$30.00 if a new member

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



We are getting closer to the start of the golf season! The Sylvan Glen golf league will begin on Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

If you think you might be interested in joining, either as a regular golfer or as a sub, please send me an email at [gatrendler@gmail.com](mailto:gatrendler@gmail.com).

Looking forward to a great season!

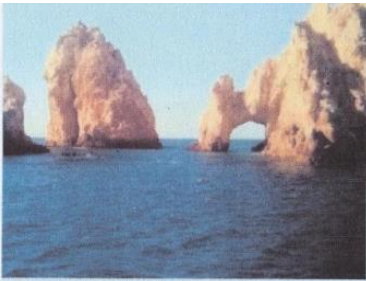
## Wine Tasting – Ann Britton, Activity Leader



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 March wine tasting will be held on Saturday, March 16 at 6:30pm. It will be hosted by Ann Britton in Sterling Heights. Please RSVP, Ann Britton at [annandjim@comcast.net](mailto:annandjim@comcast.net) by March 13 if you plan to attend. At that time, you will be sent directions for parking and the entrance location.

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.



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*Hawaii*



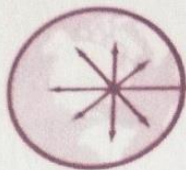
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## Troy Newcomers Club Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Ushering 3	4	5	6	Bowling Board Meeting 7	Scrapbooking Mah Jongg 8	9
10	Morning Euchre 11	12	13	Bowling 14	15	Wine Tasting 16
17	18	19	Book Club 20	Bowling Holly Social 21	Mah Jongg 22	Evening Euchre 23
24	25	Game Night 26	27	Bowling Luncheon 28	29	30
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