



The Troy

Newcomers Topics

Pam Mayhew, Business Luncheon Secretary

It has been my pleasure to serve as Business Luncheon Secretary this year. Jill Miceli and Kathie Mardyla have done an excellent job of organizing the luncheons and I've had a great time working with them.

After retiring, I joined the Sylvan Glen Golf League. I didn't realize the many activities available to the TNC members until my friend, Marie Watson, talked me into bowling. I had so much fun I decided to go all in and meet more of you fantastic ladies. Besides golf and bowling, I also enjoy daytime euchre, Meadow Brook ushering, luncheons and socials. It has been my pleasure to be on the Board for the past two years.

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My son, Christopher, lives in Chesterfield with his wife Carrie and their two children, Ryan and Kaitlin. My daughter, Jill, lives in New Jersey with her husband Gregg and their sons Brendan, Aidan and Colin. My grandkids are the loves of my life and keep me motivated to "try" to stay young.

I'm grateful for the wonderful women I've met and the many friends I've made and wish you all a happy and healthy new year.

Kathy Holm, Publicity

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday. This is my fourth year as a Newcomer and my second year on the Board. I am very glad to have my Newcomer friends and activities to guide me through the winter doldrums. I began with luncheons and soon expanded into Euchre and ushering. Once I realized that having a low, low bowling average translated into a high handicap, I went from being a sub to a regular bowler. Many thanks to Michelle and Gina for putting up with me.

As chairperson for publicity I really believe the best publicity is word of mouth. We have a wonderful club so invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

Announcements

Board Meeting

The next Board meeting will be held January 4 at 11:00 am in Room 301 at the Troy Community Center.

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles for the February newsletter is Friday, January 25. Please send your articles to troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com.



Happy Birthday Ladies!

Dorothy Fuller	1/01
Maureen Joseph	1/05
JoAnn Bologna	1/15
Martha Brosseau	1/15
Drew Baker	1/16
Irene Koziel	1/16
Michelle Freeman	1/23
Norma Klisz	1/25
Jan Fuhrman	1/27
Barb Difazio	1/28
Suzanne Guzelaydin	1/30

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January Luncheon

Thursday, January 17, 2019

11:30 gather 12:00 lunch served

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Program: Linda Pruss, yoga instructor and Troy Newcomer, will guide us through a session of gentle joints (chair) yoga. This gentle form of yoga is enjoyed by beginners as well as experienced yogis. It will revitalize your body and mind, increase energy and reduce stress! Perfect timing to recover from the holidays. Please wear comfortable clothing and come ready to relax and enjoy (no mat necessary)!

Linda started teaching yoga in her early 40's. Her training at Karma Yoga, over ten years' experience and current training at the Beaumont School of Yoga Therapy have given her the tools to teach all ages and abilities. She teaches gentle joints yoga at the Beaumont Health Club (formerly Sola), pediatric yoga for children with developmental delays and inpatient yoga for Neuro and Ortho Rehab. Linda is waiving her instructor's fee for this program. She will be accepting free will donations to a charity she supports: American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP).

Menu: Sandwiches, salads, fruit and dessert will be served.

Payment choice #1: \$15.00 with cash or check

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Payment choice #2: \$16.00 using a charge card on PayPal

Pay with a credit card on PayPal. Go to the bottom of the Luncheon page on the TNC website and click the "Buy Now" button. You will be redirected to the PayPal site for a secure, charge card protected payment. The \$1 extra charge covers the cost to the club for using this service.

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS JANUARY 14, 2019

Name: _____

First luncheon? yes _____ no _____ Payment: _____

January Social

Please join us for our January Social event. We will be meeting on Wednesday, January 23rd at the new restaurant, Seasons 52 (restaurant phone #248-362-9752). Plan on arriving between 5-7pm for their Happy Hour. The restaurant is located at 1000 W. Big Beaver Rd. at the corner of Crooks and Big Beaver, in the parking lot by Morton's Steak House. They have a nice selection of small plates on special for \$5.00 each and select beers and cocktails ranging from \$4 - \$7. Darcel will be arriving early to secure us a table, so please let her know if you plan on attending so she can reserve a table big enough for us all. Check out their website at www.seasons52.com.

Contact Darcel Connors (248)396-5371, darcelc@prodigy.net for more information.

ROSE AWARDS

Each month, September through May, 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. The Troy Newcomers Club is truly grateful for the time these women take out of their busy schedules and the extraordinary effort they put forth on behalf of our Club.



WHITE ROSE – January 2019

Darcel Connors – Socials Coordinator

Twenty years ago Darcel Connors needed a babysitter. Twenty years ago Troy Newcomers had a baby-sitting co-op. The rest as they say is history. With 5 kids, it is no surprise that Darcel's early years with the club revolved around babysitting availability. Along with the co-op, the club sponsored babysitters at a local church where members could leave their children while they attended the luncheons. Darcel's very own mom was one of the sitters. There was even child care at bowling. That was where you would find Darcel and her Betty Boop bowling ball on Tuesday mornings. Starting out unable to break 100, Darcel bowled her high game of 182 two days before her back went out.

Other fond Newcomer memories include various board positions, including president. There were also dinner dances, silent auctions and mystery dinners. Darcel currently works part time at Brighton Collectibles and will be joining the Newcomers on the Alaskan trip.

Thank you, Darcel for serving as director of socials and everything else you have done for the club.

ROSE AWARDS (continued)

RED ROSE – January 2019



Laura Carlin – Meadow Brook Ushering Activity Leader

“Give them a margarita and they will come.” Did you know our first official ‘Kick-off’ night was held at the home of Laura Carlin? Previously called ‘Sign-up’ night and held at the community center, attendance had begun to dwindle. Moving the event to a member’s home with drinks and snacks revitalized the evening and it is still going strong.

Laura is a past president, advisor and both social and activity leader. Currently in charge of ushering, she somehow manages to keep everyone organized. Looking back, Laura has a special fondness for the year she and Gina ran the socials. The events ranged from crafts to the first ever Newcomers trip to Costa Rica. Laura and her husband Lou will be joining the Newcomers for this year’s Alaskan cruise. With three grandchildren and another one on the way time not spent bowling, playing euchre, ushering or at a luncheon is spent assisting her daughter with the grandkids.

Thank you Laura for all your service to the Club.

Jane Egermann – Mah Jongg Activity Leader

Originally from Pennsylvania, Jane and her husband moved to Michigan from New Jersey. Jane has been a Newcomer since 1985. New Jersey’s loss is our gain.

Quoting Jane “This club and my church, The First United Methodist Church of Troy have been the mainstays of my life in Michigan.” Jane has held many club positions including president, advisor and newsletter editor. Currently and perhaps forever, Jane is in charge of Mah Jongg. Club members first learned to play after luring a player from the Birmingham Newcomers to join us as an instructor. Alas, we are not gamblers so she returned to the Birmingham group. By this time however, Jane and the others had become experts and Mah Jongg has become one of our most popular activities. Jane and her husband Ken are parents to two girls and four (almost five) grandchildren - three girls, one boy and one to be named later.

Congratulations Jane and thanks for all your service to the Club.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Book Club

Corinna Nientiedt, Activity Leader



The meeting for January will be held at Janet Gole's house on Wednesday, January 9th. We will meet at 7 pm and start the discussion at 7.30 pm. Please email janet.l.gole@gmail.com or call 248 925 6888 if you plan to attend. The book will be "Little Bee" by Chris Cleave.

Hope to see you there!

Bowling

Susan Holle, Activity Leader



Bowling is a great way to spend a cold, cloudy Tuesday morning and we always need more subs! If you are interested in being a substitute bowler on our league, please contact Susan Holle at skholle22@yahoo.com. We bowl on every Tuesday morning at 9:30am at Escape (formerly known as Troy Lanes).

Couples/Evening Euchre

MaryAnn Donnelly, Activity Leader

December Euchre was hosted by Mary Ann Donnelly with 8 tables. Lou Carlin took 1st place with 86 points, while second place won by John Staszczak with 70 points. There was a 3-way tie for 3rd place between Michelle Freeman, Sue Jones, and Tammy Duszynski, each with 69 points. 6th place was won by Tom Glaze (68) while Jim Myny and Mary Jo Dorsey shared 7th place (67). The prize for loaners was not given out as we had many folks with the same number of loaners.

We did add more jacks to the Euchre Pot, giving us 7 winners... Mary Ann Locricchio, Eileen Heasley, Sharon Bazoian, Mary Ann Donnelly, Sally Myny, Melissa Verduyn, and Gina Kossick.

January Couples' Euchre will be held at the home of Amy Strnad on Saturday, January 19, at 6:45 pm. Cost is \$5 per person and everyone brings an appetizer or dessert. To RSVP, please call Amy at (248) 238-4934 or email her at garagesalegroove@gmail.com.

Daytime Euchre

Gina Kossick, Activity Leader

Welcome Everyone to 2019!!

We are playing this month on Thursday, January 10 at 9:15 am at the home of Amy Strnad. Amy lives in Macomb (see directory for address). Please RSVP to her by Tuesday, January 8, at 248-238-4934 or email at: garagesalegroove@gmail.com. If you are not a regular hostess, let Amy 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.

A Big Thank You to MaryAnn Donnelly for hosting in December 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!!!

Ladies Game Night

Linda Marx, Activity Leader

This month we will be meeting at the home of Trudie Connor on Thursday, January 24th at 7:00pm. We encourage any member to join us. It is a fun evening out, a chance to see Newcomer friends and have some friendly competition playing board games.

If you attend regularly and haven't hosted in a while, please consider bringing an appetizer, dessert, or drinks to help out the hostess sometime during the year. Please let Trudie know ahead of time so she can plan accordingly. If you will be coming, please contact Trudie by Tuesday January 22nd by emailing gmc.oma@comcast.net or calling (248) 879-8947. We hope to see you there!

We are still in need of a hostess for April. Remember we will not have games night unless we have a hostess! So if you haven't hosted in a while, please consider hostessing.

Mah Jongg

Jane Egermann, Activity Leader

Mah jongg is generally played on the second and fourth Fridays of the month. Please contact Jane Egermann (248-879-5512 or jane48085@yahoo.com) for more information regarding January dates.

Meadow Brook Ushering

Laura Carlin, Activity Leader

This is your chance to see professional plays for free!

We usher for 5 more plays this season and are able to see the plays for less than an hour of your time. If you would like to usher as a regular or substitute, please email Laura at Carlin1025@gmail.com or call 248.906.0327. Please see the dates below to see if you are available for most of them; if not, please consider being a substitute because we need your commitment to usher as a regular.

Ushers should report at least 50 minutes before their performance. The performances are on Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m., Thursdays at 8:00 p.m., Fridays at 8:00 p.m., Saturdays at 6:00 p.m., and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. There is also an option to usher with your spouse if there is room.

2018-2019 Season

A Fox on the Fairway, Jan. 23-27

The Spitfire Grill, February 27-March 3

Stick Fly, April 3-7

The Marvelous Wonderettes, May 8-12

The IT Girl, June 12-16

We need 4 ushers for Sundays at 2:00 performance for the rest of the plays. We have a few openings for USHERS at many of the performances. We always need substitutes, please let Laura know if you are interested.

Scrapbooking

Denise Matthews, Activity Leader



This month our group will meet for an evening session of cropping at the home of Darcel Connors in Troy. Join us on Wednesday, January 16 between 6:30-10:30. Let Darcel know if you plan to attend by January 14. Her contact information can be found in our Club directory.

We are a beginner friendly group and happy to share materials and ideas; all you need to bring are some photographs to get started. So plan to join us for some food, memory sharing and fun as we make pages to add to our books.

Wine Tasting

Jan Fuhrman, Activity Leader



January Wine Tasting will be held on Saturday, January 19th at 7:00 pm at the home of Jan and Ken Fuhrman. If you plan to attend, please call me at 248-680-0542 or email me at kfuhrman7531@wideopenwest.com by Thursday, January 17th. Please bring your own wine glass and an appetizer to share.

Cost will be \$10 per wine drinker. Hope to see you there!

We are looking for hosts for February, April and May. Please contact me if interested in hosting.

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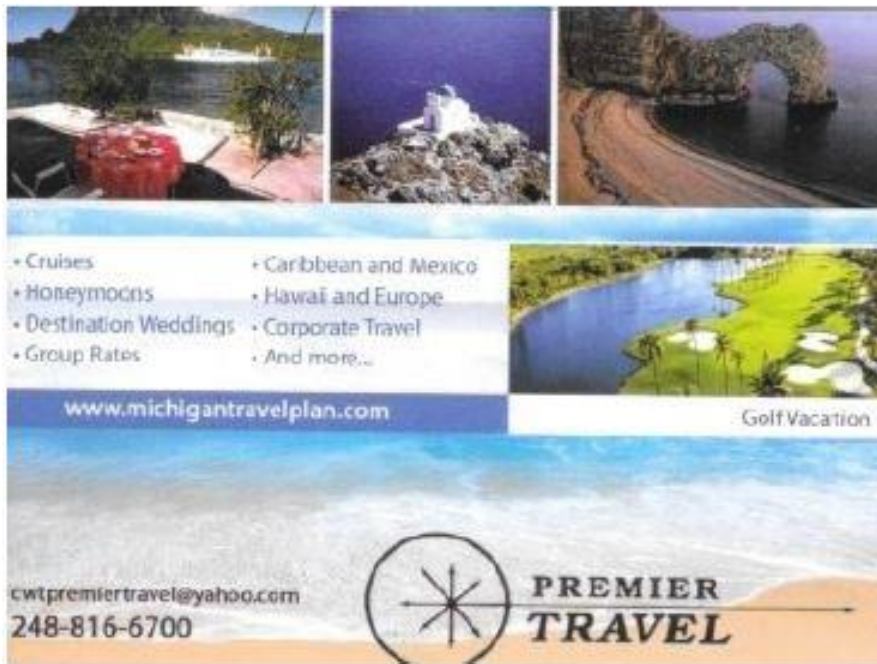
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