



# The Troy

# Newcomers Topics

## Mary Ann Donnelly, Membership Chairperson

I joined Newcomers when a friend invited me to Kickoff Night 10 -12 years ago (time flies, it's hard to remember!). I've loved being a part of this group with so many friendly and supportive ladies. I retired about 2 years ago so I've had more time recently to participate in some of the daytime activities and on the board. I have a son and daughter-in-law with 2 grandchildren in Ann Arbor, so I'm able to spend time with them as well. My other son lives in NYC which is a fun place to visit (I even have my own bedroom there now!)... he will be getting engaged in the next month or so...

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I can't wait for spring, it's been a long winter. Now that spring is arriving, it's time for our early membership renewals... if you renew before June 30 th , the cost is \$25. After June 30 th , the cost increases to \$30 so be sure to renew early. A membership form is included in this newsletter.

## Board Positions Available for 2018 - 2019

Darlene Glaze, Nominating Committee Chairperson

Come On and Get Involved Today!

Anyone interested in being a part of the bigger picture of Troy Newcomers and working alongside some inspirational women? We need your help to make our group a progressive organization that flourishes. **There is an opening for Fundraising and Socials**, so come on and join today! We also **need someone to host the "Kick off Party"** this year, so open up your home or community center and let your friends in! We will help you organize and plan the party.

Thank you to Marie Watson and Norma Klisz for volunteering to be our vice presidents and creating our luncheon experience. Thank you Kimberlee Urwiller for joining the board, and we are excited to hear your ideas for the Service position. Also thank you Darcel Conners for returning to the board and working with the activity leaders next year.

Feel free to email me if you have any questions - [advisor@troynewcomers.com](mailto:advisor@troynewcomers.com)

## Rainy Day News

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Darcel Connors and her husband Dennis who lost his father in March.



## Announcements

### ***Board Meeting***

The next Board meeting will be held April 5 at 11:00 am at the Troy Community Center.

### ***Newsletter Deadline***

The deadline for articles for the May newsletter is Friday, April 19. Please send your articles to [troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com](mailto:troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com).

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### **Happy Birthday Ladies!**

Ella Treloar	4/02
Kim Lavalley	4/04
Mary Ann Kish	4/05
Sandy Gilmore	4/06
Sandy Sands	4/15
Janet Ferstle	4/17
Michelle Miros	4/18
Pat Moran	4/18
Kathy Holm	4/19
Kimberlee Urwiller	4/28

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## Thank You

My husband Dennis and I would like to thank everyone who expressed their sympathy in the passing of Dennis' father. Every card, call, visit, thought and prayer is very much appreciated. The kindness of the members within this club is only one of the many reasons the Troy Newcomers Club means so much to me personally.

Again, Thank You.

Darcel and Dennis Connors

## April Luncheon

**Thursday, April 25, 2019**

11:30 gather 12:00 lunch served

### **Picano's**

3775 Rochester Road, Troy  
(between Big Beaver and Wattles)

**Program:** We will have a fashion show from Chico's (note the change from previous Christopher and Banks). Newcomer ladies will model a variety of the Chico's spring line. Troy Newcomer members will receive a 10% discount at Chico's Somerset store through April 27.

**Menu:** PLEASE PRE-ORDER ONE OF THE FOLLOWING:

**Chicken Piccante** – chicken breast sautéed with white wine and mushrooms

**Veal Marsala** – veal sautéed with Marsala wine and fresh mushrooms

**Tilapia** – broiled tilapia accented with lemon, parsley and butter

All entrees served with a house salad, bread basket, and cannoli. The price includes coffee, tea, and soft drinks. Cash bar. Vegetarian meal available upon request.

### **Cost:**

Option #1 - \$21 cash or check. Mail check made out to Troy Newcomers Club to:  
Pam Mayhew, 419 Miller, Rochester MI 48307

Option #2 - \$22 on PayPal. Pay on PayPal with a credit card with an additional fee added to cover the cost to the club for using this service. Go to the bottom of the Luncheon page on the TNC web site and click the "Buy Now" button. You will be redirected to the PayPal website to make your payment.

**DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT IS April 19, 2019**

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First luncheon? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: \_\_\_\_\_

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## MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2019-2020

### Early Renewal

ALL MEMBERS April 1 to June 30 \$25.00 payable by cash or check OR \$26.06 payable by credit card through PayPal. Visit the Membership page of our website and click the "PAY NOW" button.

### **After June 30** ALL MEMBERS \$30 payable by cash or check

New Members - Contact the Membership Secretary or visit the website for Membership Forms

Our club's fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 30

Please enclose your check, payable to Troy Newcomers Club, with form and mail to:

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Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: (Month/Day) \_\_\_\_\_

## 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. Thank you to Jane Egermann who wrote the articles this month.

### WHITE ROSE – April 2019



#### ***Carol Sofy – Activity Chairperson***

“Women are known to be happier if they get away from their husband and kids every once in a while.” Carol Sofy read that statistic somewhere (isn’t the internet wonderful!) and says the unspoken corollary is that so are the husband and kids. Consequently, she tries to get away with the girls on a regular basis and enjoys hanging around with her friends from Newcomers. She had a Women’s trip to Charleston and is planning on another to Siesta Key. She also attended opening night of Hamilton with a friend and her daughter. She enjoys travel, concerts, theater and (apparently) home remodeling.

In Newcomers Carol is on the bowling league (and you are never in doubt as to whether she is happy with her pinfall!) and is well known for opening up her home for Kickoff Night and our recent chair yoga luncheon. As Activity Chair, she makes sure all the individual chairpeople are in place and prepared to describe their activity at the Kickoff.

Thank you, Carol, for taking on this important job within our club.

### RED ROSE – April 2019



#### ***Pam Harvat – Interviewer for Rose Awards***

Pam Harvat’s initial response to being called for an interview was, “I feel silly being recognized as the interviewer when so many other people have helped with that job this year.” She wants to thank those who stepped up during her difficult times this year. She says it has really made her realize how much the world revolves around your good friends.

As most of you know, Pam lost her companion of 18 years after a relatively brief, but difficult, illness. She is adjusting to the fact that her world is changing, that you don’t have to be a couple. Her resolve is to step up and keep doing. Although she would consider moving to Florida for the weather (and was headed there for a week of rest and relaxation when we spoke) she is never going to move that far from her seven grandkids. She is looking forward to doing more traveling but, hopefully, will continue to be present at the Newcomer’s luncheons whenever in town.

Thank you, Pam, for continuing in this position.

## MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

### **Book Club**

Corinna Nientiedt, Activity Leader



The meeting for April will be held at Kathie Mardyla's house on Wednesday, April 24th. We will meet at 7 pm and start the discussion at 7.30 pm. Please email [kathie2m@aol.com](mailto:kathie2m@aol.com) if you plan to attend.

The book will be "The Woman in the Window" by A.J. Finn.

Hope to see you there!

### **Bowling**

Susan Holle, Activity Leader



We are approaching the end of our Tuesday morning bowling season with only 5 weeks remaining. No major changes have been made to the high scores. Jane Egermann has bowled the highest game with a score of 233 and Barb Emmer has the highest series of 598. In the lead with the most Turkeys bowled (16) is Barb Emmer and the most Splits converted (18) is Barb Peterson. Team #2 holds the team high game of 506 and the highest series of 1409. Jane Egermann has the most improved average with an increase of +11.

The Team standings after twenty-seven weeks of bowling (March 19) are as follows:

#### Position Team Bowlers

1	#9	Kimberlee Urwiller, Carol Henderson, Andrea Litchfield
2	#2	Jill Miceli, Marie Watson, Jane Egermann
3	#7	Carol Sofy, June Tarian, Barb Emmer
4	#6	Pam Mayhew, Gail Trendler, Laura Carlin
5	#10	Joanie Opie, Ardin Moenaert, Janet Ferstle
6	#5	Kathy Holm, Michelle Freeman, Gina Kossick
7	#8	Martha Brosseau, Darlene Eckhout, Carolyn Byl
8	#3	Gretchen Rosalik, Maureen Joseph, Elaine Olson
9	#1	Kathy Vitale, Darsha Ritchie, Susan Holle
10	#4	Sue Jones, Barb Peterson, Terry Slater

If you are interested in joining our league as a regular bowler in September, please contact Susan Holle at [skholle22@yahoo.com](mailto:skholle22@yahoo.com). We bowl on Tuesday mornings at 9:30am at Escape (formerly known as Troy Lanes).

## ***Couples/Evening Euchre***

MaryAnn Donnelly, Activity Leader

Thanks to Sandy Gilmore for hosting March Euchre. We had 8 tables and were in a lovely clubhouse setting.

First place was a tie between Gina Kossick and Marie Hochstein (62), while 3rd place was won by Maryann Locricchio (58). 4th place belonged to Sandy Gilmore (56) and 5th place was won by Gail Hall (54). Rounding out the winners were John Staszczak (53) and Dave Strnad (52) in 6th and 7th place respectively.

Most loaners went to Marissa Hunter with 4. The Euchre pot was split 7 ways between Doug Hunter, Mary Ann Donnelly, Sherry Dittrich, Amy Strnad, Mike Dittrich, Darlene Glaze, and Max Freeman.

April Evening/Couples' Euchre will be held at the home of Melissa Verduyn on Saturday, April 13, at 6:45 pm. Cost is \$5 per person and everyone brings an appetizer or dessert. To RSVP, please call Melissa at 248-765-3009 or email her at mcverduyn@gmail.com.

## ***Daytime Euchre***

Gina Kossick, Activity Leader

We are playing this month on Thursday, April 11 at 9:15 am at the home of Gina Kossick. Gina lives in Troy (see directory for address). Please RSVP to her by Tuesday, April 9, at 248-740-9957 or email at: gbean1961@gmail.com. If you are not a regular hostess, let Gina 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 Barb Peterson for hosting in February 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 Jill Miceli on Monday, April 8th at 7:00pm. We encourage any member to join us. It is a fun evening out! It's a chance to see Newcomer friends and have some friendly competition playing board games.

If you attend regularly and haven't hosted in awhile, please consider bringing an appetizer, dessert, or drinks to help out the hostess sometime during the year. Please let Jill know ahead of time so she can plan accordingly. If you will be coming, please contact Jill by Friday April 5th by emailing delta12250@yahoo.com or calling (248) 828-3499. We hope to see you there!

## ***Mah Jongg***

Jane Egermann, Activity Leader

Due to unexpected circumstances (Jane broke another wrist!) mah jongg was cancelled on March 22. However, she expects to be back in form by April 12 at 9:30 am when we should be (at last!) playing with the 2019 card.

This is the ideal time to take up the game. None of the experienced players will have a clue about the new hands. They may even be handicapped by remembering old ones! If you have been thinking of learning to play, this is your best window of opportunity! (If you can't make it to Jane's on the 12th, don't despair, it's not that hard to learn at any time!)

We will also play on April 26th at 1 pm if afternoons work better for you.

Please contact Jane (248-879-5512 or jane48085@yahoo.com) if you plan to come or need directions.

## ***Meadow Brook Ushering***

Laura Carlin, Activity Leader

This is your chance to see professional plays for free at Meadow Brook Theatre on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester!

We usher for 3 more plays this upcoming 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 wearing black pants/skirt and white blouse or sweater. Sign in and get your usher badge and return the badge before the play starts, so you won't forget.

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 continues with:

Stick Fly, April 3-7

The Marvelous Wonderettes, May 8-12

The IT Girl, June 12-16

We need 2 ushers for Sundays at 2:00 performance. We have a few openings for 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 be meeting on Monday, April 15 for a daytime cropping session at Remember When? Drop in anytime between the hours of 11-6, and stay as long as you like. Feel free to bring your lunch and a beverage. The fee to use the cropping space is \$10.00 or purchase that amount of items in the store and the fee is waived.

Remember When? is located at 21952 23 Mile Road, just east of Card Road in Macomb.

Please let Denise know if you plan to attend by Friday, April 12. You can send your email response to [dsm214@msn.com](mailto:dsm214@msn.com). The store asks we give them a count for seating purposes.

## **Somerset Golf League**

Karen Hrit and Janet Ferstle, Activity Leaders

It's time to starting planning for your 2019 summer golf. Come join the Troy Newcomers Thursday morning golf league at Somerset Golf course in Troy. All levels of play are welcome in this 10 week league that starts mid June and ends mid August. Missed games can be made up at your convenience, so bring a friend or we will match you up with a partner. Look for registration details in early spring. Questions? Contact Karen Hrit at 248-840-0755 or Janet Ferstle at [jaw6581@gmail.com](mailto:jaw6581@gmail.com)

## **Sylvan Glen Golf League**

Gail Trendler, Activity Leader



Calling all golfers! Spring is finally here and the Sylvan Glen Golf League begins on Thursday, May 2nd. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we will have a warm and sunny day to kick off the new season! I can't wait to catch up with all the ladies I have not seen over the winter and enjoy golf and our after golf lunch at Camp Ti (oh, and the fresh baked chocolate chip cookie, too!)

If you are a golfer and have not paid your fees yet, please do so by April 15th. They should be mailed to Ann Kappaz. If you have any questions regarding the fees this year, please contact Ann.

If you would like to join the league, either as a regular player or as a sub, please contact Gail Trendler, Ann Kappaz, or Barb DiFazio and we can supply you with all the details.

## **Wine Tasting**

Jan Fuhrman, Activity Leader



No wine tasting is scheduled for April. Please check next month's newsletter for information about the wine tasting scheduled for May.

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