

## A Message from your board

The Board has continued meeting the first Friday of every month both by zoom and outdoor meetings in an effort to plan for the upcoming year. In order to have another successful year, we encourage our members to please renew their membership (\$25.00) by the deadline date of September 30. We are aware that the many activities offered to club members may not all be available or will have to be altered to adhere to the guidelines set forth by the Governor. Some activities have already begun with the activity leaders taking the lead on using social distancing or wearing masks to keep members safe. Darlene Glaze, Board Member in charge of Activities, will continue to work with the activity leaders.

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As you know, the Club is so much more than the activities it offers to members. We are also a charitable organization. Kimberlee Urwiller, Board Member in charge of Service, has been working extremely hard on identifying organizations that we would be proud to support. Martha Brosseau, Board Treasurer, has also been working extremely hard on the budget to identify how to best to use the Clubs income (mostly obtained from the yearly dues) to support the Club and charities. Darcel Connors and Denise Matthews are moving forward with socials for the upcoming year that will allow social distancing. They are also working on our first luncheon/business meeting which they will address later. The Board is committed to keep the Club moving forward and it is working hard to that end.

In better times, we have had an annual kickoff meeting. Unfortunately, under current guidelines, the Board has decided to postpone the kickoff this year. As an alternative we were thinking of having a Members appreciation celebration sometime next Spring. We felt this would be a good way to thank our members for sticking with the Club and riding out these difficult times with us.

As always, thank you for your support.

# **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2020-2021**

ALL MEMBERS April 1 to September 30<sup>th</sup> is \$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 October 1<sup>st</sup> ALL MEMBERS pay \$30 payable by cash or check.

New Members Contact 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:

TROY NEWCOMERS CLUB P.O. BOX 103 TROY, MI 48099 ATTN: MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Name:
Address:
City:
Zip:
Phone:
Email:
Birthday: (Month/Day)
Spouse/Partner Name:

#### Announcements

#### **Board Meeting**

The Troy Community Center remains closed. The date and time of our next board meeting has not been determined. More info to follow.

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

The deadline for articles for the October Newsletter is Friday, September 25th. Please send your articles to: <u>troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com</u>.



Jan Brown	09/11
Susan Holle	09/22
Karen Hrit	09/20
Kathy Mitter	09/06
Susan Purcell	09/10
Carolyn Simmons	09/17
Dottie Weir	09/26

#### Troy Newcomers Club September Luncheon/Picnic

Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Gather at11:30am - 2pm

**Raintree Park Pavilion** 

3775 John R Rd Troy, MI 48083

Cost: \$12.50

The times call for flexibility and ingenuity. So, we are going to have our first luncheon/business meeting outside as a picnic! We are taking all precautions to adhere to the guidelines of social distancing in the pavilion that seats up to 200 people. The bathrooms will be open at the park and we will provide hand sanitizer as well as food service gloves. We will be serving boxed lunches and single serve drinks. We will be doing a "safe" 50/50 drawing and have our usual door prizes! Please fill out your choices for lunch below and mail in your check, made out to **Troy Newcomers Club** to: **Gail Trendler 313 E. Lovell Troy, MI 48085** by **Sept. 10**<sup>th</sup>.

Plasticware, napkins and condiments are included.

#### MEAL CHOICES:

(Includes your choice of sandwich on sourdough bread, pasta salad side, chips and cookie)

- 1. Ham and Swiss Sandwich \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Turkey and Provolone Sandwich \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Roast Beef and Cheddar Sandwich \_\_\_\_\_

#### **DRINK CHOICE**

Iced Tea Wate	er Diet Coke	Coke	Sprite
Name		_Phone:	
First time Luncheon	Guest of:		
If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email/call Darcel at: <u>darcelc@prodigy.net</u> #248-396-5371			

# **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 Kathy Holmes who wrote the articles this month.

# **RED ROSE – September 2020**



**Denise Matthews, Socials** 

This months' red rose award goes to Denise Matthews. Denise is the co-leader of socials and was the founder of the scrap-booking club.

Denise has been a member of Newcomers, since she moved to Troy 20 years ago. She has participated in bowling, games night, luncheons, book club and socials. For now, Denise is involved in a slimmed down version of Newcomers. Book club is still meeting and Denise went to Darcel's to scrapbook. She says she accomplished much more working with Darcel then working alone and had a much better time.

Denise and her husband's covid activities include taking their dog to parks that allow dogs to swim. They ride bikes and have wine and cheese picnics (It sounds very romantic to me). They also went for a ride on Gina's fantastic new boat.

There are however many things that Denise misses. Among them are our luncheons and socials. Denise was a member of the Beaumont Health Club and says workouts there made it much easier to keep fit.

There is a trip to Chicago on the agenda for after Labor Day to visit family.

Although things are not the same, Denise is grateful for her husband and son and the life she has. We are grateful to have Denise as a club member and friend.

# WHITE ROSE – September 2020

Janet Gole, Book Club



This months' white rose award goes to Janet Gole. Janet is the activity leader for Book Club.

After retiring from General Motors in 2017, Janet almost immediately joined the Newcomers. Her love of reading led her to our Book Club and her organizational skills enabled her to make the club successful. Janet is a planner and organizer.

She has suggested books along with a brief synopsis of each listed online for potential hostesses. Janet is available to assist members and is always open to new ideas.

The charitable giving of the Troy Newcomers is part of what attracted Janet to the club. As the mother of three boys and the grandmother of one (Parker) Janet enjoyed last Christmas's giving tree. Buying sparkling shoes for a little girl was a new and fun experience, (she also bought a pair of regular school shoes)

With two of their sons living out of state, one in California and the other in Colorado, Janet and her husband make good use of their R.V. It also came in handy while their house was being remodeled. The Goles' simply parked it in their driveway and moved in for about 3 weeks.

Janet is looking forward to an active year with the club using zoom, skype and other social media.



# MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

## **Book Club**

Janet L. Gole, Activity Leader



The meeting in September will be hosted by Kathie Mardyla on Thursday, September 17. Please see our directory for Kathie's address. We'll meet at 6:45, book discussion will start at 7:15.

The chosen book is "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens. We had this book scheduled for our March meeting, but cancelled due to Covid-19. This is a great book, so I'm really glad Kathie chose his book again. She will provide the questions to those attending prior to the meeting. Please contact Kathie at <u>kathie2m@aol.com</u> or call 248-840-6117 or 248-652-8262 if you plan to attend.

I will send out a reminder email early September to those currently on the Book Club list. Looking forward to a large socially distanced group. We had a great turnout and discussion this week at Trudie's event

**Bowling** Susan Holle, Activity Leader



It is still unknown when the bowling league will be able to resume. If you are interested in joining the Troy Newcomers Tuesday Morning Bowling League in the future, please contact Susan Holle at <u>skholle22@yahoo.com</u>.

Euchre, Evenings Mary Ann Donnelly, Activity Leader



Evening Euchre is not scheduled this month. Hope to see everyone soon!"



WELL, I hope this will be a Welcome Back to Daytime Euchre!

Hope everyone is surviving our Covid Life and I know we all want it over ASAP! We are once again (hopefully) starting another fun season of Euchre, during the day.

I would like to try a daytime Euchre at my house on TUESDAY, September 22 at 9:15 AM. 2941 Bywater Dr., Troy.

We will have some Covid rules of course, at my house:

- 1. All wear masks
- 2. Maximum 3 tables, in different rooms (first 12 people only)
- 3. Hand sanitizer at each table, I will provide
- 4. Being very diligent about not touching our faces while handling cards
- 5. NO PUBLIC FOOD this time, but I will provide coffee and water (in bottles), you can bring your own mugs or I will have some available.
- 6. You can bring your own food if you like
- 7. Of course, no one can come if they have any symptoms or a temperature.

I miss playing and I think if we are diligent, whoever is comfortable with this, we can give it a try.

Please RSVP to me by Sunday, Sept 20 at 248-740-9957 or e-mail me at: <u>gbean1961@gmail.com</u>.

Thank You and lets get started on another great year of friends gathering, lots of good conversation and storytelling, your own good eats, some joyful laughter and of course " <u>Some</u> <u>Euchre Playing",</u> if we can fit it in!!!!

## **Ladies Game Night**

Jill Miceli, Activity Leader



I am looking for hostesses that can host a game night outside while the weather is still good. Please let Jill know if you would like to have a small group and what date you are thinking about. Each hostess can decide what if any snacks and drinks are served or have people bring their own. We will limit the number of guests for inside dates as well but am looking for anyone that is comfortable hosting inside once the weather turns. It would be wonderful to have a night out and some fun games while keeping everyone safe.

# Mah\_Jongg

Jane Egermann, Activity Leader



I'm willing to admit it – I haven't the slightest idea when we'll get back to mah jongg. The past couple of times I've suggested it I haven't had any takers.

If you are interested in meeting, let me know. I'll add you to the mailing list and that will be the main way I contact anyone when I feel we can meet again.

Contact Jane at jane48085@yahoo.com or 248-879-5512 if you are interested.

## **Meadowbrook Theatre Ushering**

Laura Carlin, Activity Leader



Meadow Brook Theatre Ushering Season Starts March 2021

I hope all of you are healthy in these uncertain times. I wanted to let you know what I have been told about ushering. Meadow Brook Theatre has cancelled the fall schedule along with A Christmas Carol. They plan to open in 2021 for the same plays that were scheduled for last season.

Mary JaneMarch 24-28Little Shop of HorrorsApril 28-May 2, 2021Fancy, A new Country MusicalJune 2-June 6, 2021

If you would like to usher or substitute for the 3 scheduled plays, please let me know now. There are a few openings available. You are welcome to usher with your spouse if there is an available spot.

Respond by email to Carlin1025@gmail.com if you would like to be included in the ushering schedule for the 3 plays. I can let you know what times/days are available.

**Scrapbooking** Debbie Risko, Activity Leader



At this time there is nothing to report.

## Somerset Golf League 2020 Season

Karen Hrit & Janet Ferstle, Activity Leader



We had 19 golfers this year, all happy and ready to break out after the Covid indoor isolation. Only one rainout with beautiful golf weather for the remaining 9 weeks. We finished the season with a fun day golf scramble and an outdoor luncheon catered by Ridleys under the pavilion. Consider joining us next year for a fun, non competitive golf league

## Sylvan Glen Golf League 2020 Season

Gail Trendler, Activity Leader

We are quickly closing in on the end of the 2020 Sylvan Glen Golf League. Due to COVID-19 we had to delay the start of our season by one week. Then, of course, the second week we were rained out. How's that for bad luck? We will end our season on August 27th and on September 3rd we will have our annual end of season outing. The outing will be at Twin Lakes Golf Course in Oakland Township.

As of August 13th, the standings are as follows:

1st place is Pam Mayhew with 93.5 points. Tied for 3rd place are Pam Cheli and Marti Forrer with 92.5 points. 4th place is Carol Henderson with 91 points.

On August 13th Sandy Sands, Marie Watson, Ann Kappaz and Marti Forrer each scored a par. Sue Purcell scored a par on both 15 & 16 - great job, ladies!

We've had to bid a sad farewell to our league secretary, Barb DiFazio, as she has become a year round resident of Florida. She has done a great job this year with the pairings and tallying up the scores and awarding the points. We wish her the very best in her new adventure as a full time Floridian.

Wine Tasting Ann Britton, Activity Leader



You know you are a wine geek if you keep a stock of wine for 'enthusiastis' or 'normals'.

There are no wine tasting events scheduled. If you would like to host a wine tasting at some future date, contact Ann Britton at annandjim@comcast.net.

# **TNT** Advertising Info

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, Gail Trendler at gatrendler@gmail.com

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### Rates for Display Ads (per year):

Business Card \$25 1/4 Page \$50 1/2 Page \$75 Full Page \$100

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