

### Mary Ann Donnelly, Membership Secretary

Welcome spring! I am so appreciative of the sunny days we've had in the last few weeks and look forward to being outside. Hopefully, things will be returning to fairly normal in the near future and we can resume most of our regular activities. My son in NYC was to have been married last June. They rescheduled to early September of last year and then rescheduled again to late August of this year.

Regardless of the Covid situation, a wedding will take place this August!

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Now that spring is arriving, it's time for early membership renewals... if you are a current member and renew before June 30th the cost is \$25. After June 30th, the cost increases to \$30 so be sure to renew early.

A membership form is included in this newsletter.

### Announcements

#### **Board Meeting**

The April board meeting will be on Friday, April 2nd at 11:00. Details will follow prior to the scheduled meeting.

#### **Newsletter Deadline**

The deadline for articles for the May Newsletter is Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup>. Please send your articles to:

troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com.

### **Rainy Day News**

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to Sherry Dittrich who recently lost her husband Mike on March 5.

Sherry and Mike were an amazing team together who knew how to laugh and enjoy life. The family is understandably shocked by their loss, and our hearts go out to Sherry and her family at this time. If you would like to send a card, text, or email, I am sure that it would bring some comfort to know you are thinking of her.

Service - For anyone interested in attending the service for Mike Dittrich, it will be held on June 19 at 11:00am at King of Kings Church in Shelby Charter Township. There will also be a barbecue after the service with pulled pork and chicken sandwiches with other foods that will be available. The family wanted to celebrate Mike's choice of being relaxed by having a barbecue and commemorating his enjoyment of wearing flip flops and shorts even through November. Sherry wanted to let you know that casual dress is accepted at the church and appreciated at the barbecue.

## A Note From Our President

Pam Mayhew

### END OF YEAR CHARITABLE DONATIONS

It is customary at the end of each TNC year to make a donation to charities suggested by our members with unused funds budgeted for charities. At this time, we are asking for suggestions. If you have a charity you would like to put up for consideration by the Board, please email Pam Mayhew (pmayhew@wowway.com).

Donations made so far in 2020/2021

Shades of Pink - \$25.00 The Salvation Army - \$25.00 Friends of Foster Care - \$150.00 Neighborhood House - \$150.00 The Baldwin Center - \$111.00

### Socials

**Denise Matthews and Darcel Connors** 

In the month of May we are planning an outing to the Troy Historical Village for a private presentation of Famous Women in Michigan. The presentation will take place in the church on Tues, May 11 starting at 10:30 and will last about an hour. No refreshments will be served, but each participant will be given a goodie bag containing several bags of tea and a sweet treat to take home. Cost is \$9. Due to Covid restrictions, no more than 20 will be admitted and masks must be worn.

Afterwards we will go out to lunch, location to be determined, preferably to a restaurant having an outdoor seating option.

In order to book the presentation, we need to have a minimum of 5 paid attendees. If interested, contact Denise via our directory or email her at dsm214@msn.com, to reserve your spot. Send checks made out to Denise to 6802 Forest Park Dr, Troy, 48098. Payment due by April 30.

Darcel has also agreed to accept payment at bowling.

### Advisor

Jill Miceli

We have next year's Board of Director nominations filled that will be presented at the April luncheon and voted on at the May luncheon. Please contact Jill Miceli if you have any questions or concerns. We do not have a nominee for the Fund-Raising position but will go ahead without one next year. If you have any ideas on fund raising, please let the board know.

I would like to thank the committee of Darlene Glaze and Gina Kossick for working hard and helping to cover positions.

## TROY NEWCOMERS CLUB BOARD NOMINATIONS 2021 – 2022

President	Kimberlee Urwiller
1st VP Luncheons	Norma Klisz
2nd VP	Kathy Holm
Activities	Jill Miceli
Advisor	Pam Mayhew
Business Luncheon Secretary	Kathy Holm
Fundraising	Open
Newsletter	Darcel Connors
Membership	Martha Brosseau
Publicity	Sherry Dittrich
Recording Secretary	Pam Cheli
Service	Janet Gole
Socials	Darlene Glaze and Maryann Donnelly
Treasurer	Martha Brosseau
Website	Barb Emmer

### TROY NEWCOMERS CLUB APRIL 22, 2021 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON MEETING

We will be meeting at:

# **KONA GRILL**

at the southeast corner of Livernois and Big Beaver Roads at 11:30 am on April 22. We will be ordering from the menu again as we have the last few months. At present we may be outside in the tent or inside on the patio – weather permitting and management dictated. Please advise Gail Trendler if you will be attending. Her phone number is available in our directory or email her at: gatrendler@gmail.com

We are hoping you are all well and will start feeling comfortable joining us again. Get your covid vaccination asap, we miss you.



Lyn Bloink	4/14
Ann Bruttell	4/04
Kathy Holm	4/19
Mary Ann Kish	4/05
Pat Moran`	4/18
Sandra Sands	4/15
Ella Treloar	4/02
Kimberlee Urwiller	4/28
Ira Varadian	4/03

# **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2021-2022**

**ALL MEMBERS** - if you are a current member and renew before June 30th the cost is \$25 payable by cash or check. After June 30th, the cost increases to \$30 so be sure to renew early.

**New Members** – Please contact our Membership Secretary or visit our website for Membership Forms

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

Dues must be paid by August 31 if you want to be included in this year's directory.

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

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

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

Address:

City:

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 Kathy Holms who wrote the articles this month.



# **RED ROSE – April 2021**

Red Rose Award - Martha Brosseau

This month's Red Rose Award is being presented to Martha Brosseau. Martha serves as treasurer and has done so several times in the past. A Newcomer for 24 years Martha has been on the board for most of them. She has been both business and membership secretary as well as president.

Martha told me "Being the treasurer is like being a storyteller." She can tell the story of our club by chronicling our deposits and withdrawals. When we read her report each month it tells us how successful our membership drives and fund-raisers were. We can also see the good we do with our donations and the charities we support.

Martha can also tell stories about the clubs' early days. At one point we had between three and four hundred members. It was not unusual to have 60 members at a luncheon. There was a time when you had to be an actual newcomer to be a club member. Because of this archaic rule MINTS (Memories in Newcomers Shared) was formed and Martha served as the liaison to the Newcomer board.

Not only does she serve as our treasurer, Martha is also the treasurer of her H.O.A. and secretary for the H.O.A. at her vacation home in Indian River.

Next October Martha will have been married for 30 years. She has one son and one daughter who both live in Troy making visiting easy.

April will find Martha and her husband in Madeira Beach Florida.

A sincere thank you to Martha for all she does for the club.

# WHITE ROSE – April 2021

White Rose Award - Pam Harvat



Pam is the lovely lady who usually writes these charming articles for our newsletter. Since she is the recipient of this months rose award, I will tell you a little bit about her.

Pam has been a Newcomer for about 20 years. She joined the club because of her dear friend Linda Marx. As a matter of fact, Pam had just returned from visiting Linda in Florida when our covid lockdowns began. Prior to covid Pam played euchre and attended most luncheons, game nights and socials.

Currently Pam spends time with her immediate family. She has seven granddaughters, including 4 seven-year-olds. As a matter of fact, it was Ivy, one of the triplets who recently helped grandma clean house. Pam had been working on a thousand -piece jig-saw puzzle when Ivy and her dad came for a visit. Pam and her son left the room for a few minutes, so Ivy decided to help grandma. She dismantled the puzzle, broke the pieces apart and put them in their box. Needless to say, Pam simply started over.

With the lifting of some restrictions Pam is looking forward to enjoying her 2019 Christmas gift from her daughter. Pam calls it "The gift that keeps NOT giving". While in high school Pam appeared in her high school play "My Fair Lady". When it was announced that the play would be performed in Chicago her daughter thought tickets would be a great Christmas gift. Unfortunately, the play was postponed and postponed again. They are now hoping for July.

Pam told me that although it had been a rough year, she is grateful we all reached out to one another and soon we would be seeing each other in person. She will be first in line.

A very big thank you to Pam for all she does.



# MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

### **Book Club**

Janet L. Gole, Activity Leader



Linda Shephard has volunteered to host the Wednesday April 21st meeting. She will host virtually, executing via a Zoom meeting. She chose the book "Olive Ketterridge" by Elizabeth Strout. This is a Pulitzer Prize-winning novel: a four-part drama of a seemingly placid New England town wrought with illicit affairs, crime and tragedy, told through the lens of Olive. It's available at the Troy Library in various forms right now!

The Zoom meeting will start at 7:00. Please contact Linda at <u>bnlshep@comcast.net</u> or call here (see our directory) to confirm you will attend.

At our March Zoom meeting, hosted by Darcel Connors, we had a lively discussion. It was just as successful as our January & February meetings. Try to attend!

I'll send an update and files to those on the Book Club list early April

### **Bowling**

Darcel Connors, Activity Leader



Bowling – Thursday Mornings at Escape

We have had a couple bowlers out with injuries and a few more on vacations, but our subs have stepped up and helped out when they could.

Barb Emmer still holds the record with 7 Turkey's for the season and highest gameof a 236. Pam Cheli continues to hold onto the highest series with a 541. The honor of most splits converted goes to Jane Egermann with 8. The standings as of March 18th are below:

Position	Team#	Bowlers
1	#5	Darcel Connors, Ardin Moenaert and Pam Cheli
2	#4	Gail Trendler, Diana Alexanian and Jane Egermann
3	#2	Jill Miceli, Marie Watson and Barb Emmer
4	#3	Kathy Holm, Michelle Freeman and Carol Henderson
5	#1	Kimberlee Urwiller, Pam Mayhew and Gina Kossick

If you are interested in subbing for us please contact me at the email below or call me on my cell. We maintain social distance rules, wear masks and leave one lane between all teams during bowling.

darcelc@prodigy.net Cell: see directory for number

# Euchre, Evenings

Mary Ann Donnelly, Activity Leader



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

# **Euchre**, Daytime

Gina Kossick, Activity Leader



We are playing this month on WEDNESDAY, April 28 at 9:30 am at the home of Marie Watson. WE WILL REMAIN COVID FRIENDLY WITH MASKS, GOOD HANDWASHING AND HAND SANITIZER! Marie will take the first 12 people for 3 tables total. Marie lives in Auburn Hills (see directory for address). Please RSVP to her by Monday, April 26, see our directory or email at: marie.watson561@gmail.com. If you are not a regular hostess, let Marie know if you wish to bring a breakfast item for that morning COVID friendly please! We are beginner friendly and always looking for new people, so invite a new friend or come on by!

A Big Thank You to Me, Gina for hosting in March!

Hope to see everyone for a fun day of coffee, food, fun and laughter, and of course "Some Euchre Playing"!

STAY HEALTHY EVERYONE!!!

Ladies Game Night Jill Miceli, Activity Leader



Looking forward to some enjoyable activities coming up. Please let Jill know if you would like to host a fun evening.

### Mah Jongg

Jane Egermann, Activity Leader



The calendar may have read 2021 for three months, but all mah jongg players know that the year doesn't really start until the new card comes out in April. This is a great time for new people to join the group since we will all be confused together,

In a slight change we will play at 9:30 am on both April 9 and April 23. This will be at the home of Jane Egermann.

Please let Jane know if you plan to attend or need directions. Contact Jane at <u>jane48085@yahoo.com</u> or call her (see our directory) if you are interested in adding your name to her email list.

Even though many of us have been fully vaccinated we continue to follow Covid protocols as much as possible. Obviously, we cannot be six feet apart but we are wearing masks and washing hands frequently.

# **Meadowbrook Theatre Ushering**

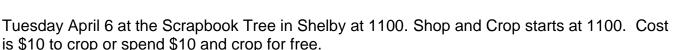
Laura Carlin, Activity Leader



I hope all of you are healthy in these uncertain times. I wanted to let you know that Meadow Brook Theatre has canceled the spring plays in 2021, but plans to open in the fall of 2021. Please check our TNT in August for information about signing up to usher.

Scrapbooking Debbie Risko, Activity Leader

Scrapbooking event



Please text or email Debbie Risko if you plan to attend.





Somerset Golf League 2021 Season Karen Hrit & Janet Ferstle, Activity Leaders



It's time to starting planning for your 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 (see our directory) or Janet Ferstle at jaw6581@gmail.com

Make checks payable to:	Karen Hrit
	38136 Seaway Ct.
	Harrison Twp., MI 48045

#### Must be a registered Troy Newcomer member

Name		
Email	Phone	
Address		
City	ZIP	
Partner's Name	(Or we will match you up with	a partner)
Age 62+, Senior Discount applies	Check for later tee times, if p	ossible

# Sylvan Glen Golf League

Gail Trendler, Activity Director



It's that time of year! We are over the pretty snowfalls of winter and looking forward to spring and the start of the golf season.

The Sylvan Glen Golf League kicks off on Thursday morning, May 6. We have 14 ladies on the league this year and we are all looking forward to catching up with everyone after the long winter.

There is still time to join and we are always looking for subs. Subbing is a great way to try us out and you may find you'd like to join the league next season.

If you would like to join the league, either as a regular golfer or as a sub, please contact Gail Trendler at "golf\_sylvanglen@troynewcomers.com" and I will be happy to supply you with all the details.

# Wine Tasting

Ann Britton, Activity Leader



"Wine is poetry in a bottle."

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.

# **TNC** 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, Jill Miceli at advisor@troynewcomers.com

Rates for Display Ads (per year):

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

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Troy Newcomers P.O. Box 103 Troy, MI 48099

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