

June/July 2025

The Troy

Newcomers Topics

A Message from Your Board

Darcel Connors, President

As the club's year comes to an end, I look back on all the luncheons, fun socials and monthly activities that I participated in. I also think about the wonderful impact our club makes with our service projects as well. We have a great group of women, who I am blessed to know and learn from. Thank you to the board members I served with. I appreciate your efforts.

I am excited for the new year and what it has in store for us. Our new board has been filled and voted in. The individuals below have graciously agreed to serve in their respective positions. Knowing these ladies, we will have an exciting year ahead. If you see them, please thank them for taking on the commitment to serve.

Thank you if you have shared your thoughts with the questionnaire that was in last month's newsletter. If you have not done so yet, I am still accepting them. (I have included it in this issue as well) We really want to know how we are doing and ways we can improve. I will have the compiled results in our August newsletter.

I hope you all have a wonderful fun filled summer.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Meeting

Our next board meeting will take place at Escape on **Thursday, June 5th** at approximately **1:00 pm**. This is a combined meeting with the outgoing board members and the incoming board members. **Please note the time change for this meeting only!**

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for articles for the August Newsletter is, July 25th. Please send your articles to: troynewcomerstopics@gmail.com.



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| Patricia Gould | 1 |
| Elaine Olson | 1 |
| Cindy Parks | 3 |
| Ivana Enright | 4 |
| Marti Forrer | 4 |
| Pam Cheli | 5 |
| Barb Frahm | 7 |
| Diana Alexanian | 13 |
| Laurie Cunnings | 16 |
| Sue Opalewski | 19 |
| Monica DiMaggio | 26 |

July

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| Julie Francuch | 2 |
| Ann Kappaz | 13 |
| Darlene Conroy | 15 |
| Darlene Eckhout | 15 |
| Pat Pilott | 18 |
| Margaret Hatton | 18 |
| Jill Smith | 22 |
| Diane Mueller | 29 |

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/troynewcomers>

Membership Renewal Form 2025-2026

The club year runs from July 1st and ends June 30th. Annual Dues are \$30.00
Early renewals (those received by June 30th) are \$25.00
Enclose your check for the appropriate amount with this form and mail to:

Troy Newcomers Club - P.O. Box 103 - Troy, MI 48099
Attention: Membership Secretary

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Spouse Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Birthday: Day _____ / Month _____

Our club takes pictures during the many TNC activities, luncheons and socials. We share them in our TNC Newsletter, TNC Website and TNC Facebook. No names will be included.

Do we have your permission to post your picture in our newsletter or on our social media? ____ Yes ____ No



PUBLICITY – SANDY NAVRATIL

A reminder to all!

Troy Newcomers will be hosting a booth during the Troy Garden Walk event again this year in an effort to promote our club and increase membership.

Details are as follows:

Wednesday July 9, 8:30 AM – 6:30 PM, Troy Historic Village, 60 W. Wattles Rd.

I've had some people sign up, but need an additional volunteer for every 2 1/2 hour shift:

8:30am-11:00am, 11:00am-1:30pm, 1:30pm-4:00pm, 4:00pm-6:30pm

Please contact Sandy Navratil at snavratil@aol.com with your availability by June 18.

Thank you for your help!

Troy Newcomers Member Questionnaire 2024-2025

The club wanted to check with our membership to be sure that we are providing the best club experience that we can for you. If you could please answer the questions below and return this form back to us by June 1st, it would be very helpful. You may remain anonymous if you like. We would just like your feedback.

1. Are you satisfied with the amount and variety of activities we offer in our club? YES NO
If you answered NO, can you please give examples of activities you would like to see more of?

2. Regarding our monthly luncheons, are you happy with the variety of restaurants offered? YES NO
Would you agree that the costs of the luncheons have been appropriate given the raise in costs?
YES NO TOO HIGH?

Would you prefer more program content at our Monthly luncheons? MORE LESS

If your answer is MORE, can you elaborate on what types of program content you would like to see?
Such as guest speakers, demonstrations, etc. Feel free to list here:

3. We consistently have a problem filling volunteer positions in key areas, mainly our board of directors. If you have never volunteered in our club as an activity director or board member, can you please let us know what it is that is holding you back? (**Promise we will not hunt you down**)

4. Our club participates in many service projects for our community and surrounding areas. Are you satisfied with the amount of service projects offered? Would you like to see MORE or LESS?
Do you have any organizations/charities that you would like to see us support? Please list them here:

5. Lastly, do you have any suggestions on how we can improve our club?

You may use the reverse side to answer as well. Please feel free to mail in this questionnaire to the address below or hand it to any board member at our April or May Luncheon. Thank you so much.

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

Rose Awards

The Rose Awards will return next year with some changes. If you know a club member who should be recognized, please contact mariewatson561@gmail.com or kathyholm82@yahoo.com

Wishing everyone a sunny and wonderful summer.



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ACTIVITIES

Book Club – Janet Gole, Activity Leader



Please join us at the **June 18** meeting, hosted by Barb Shimoura. Her book is *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. A gripping historical mystery inspired by the life and diary of Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th-century midwife who defied the legal system and wrote herself into American history.

Please contact Barb at bshimoura@gmail.com or 248-541-2720 to confirm you will attend. We'll meet at 6:30 pm at Raintree Park.

Our **July 16** meeting will be hosted by Pat Wehrung. Her book is *Under a Gilded Moon* by Joy Jordan-Lake. An enthralling novel of secrets, a tumultuous war of ideas, and murder as classes collide in the shadow of Biltmore House. Check out early via MeL for availability.

I'll send out a reminder to the Book Club members in June. Contact Pat at pat.wehrung@gmail.com or 248-408-2244 if you would like to attend. We'll meet at her lake house in Fenton.

The best thing in your wallet is library card.

Bowling – Darcel Connors, Secretary



The new season will be starting in September. We will be bowling on Thursdays at 9:15 am at the Escape Bowling Alley on Square Lake Rd. If you would like to join as a regular bowler or a substitute, let me know by emailing, darcelc@prodigy.net.

Morning Euchre – Gina Kossick, Activity Leader



A big Thank You to all our hostesses this year. If anyone wants to host for September, or any other month next season, let me know.

Evening Euchre – Darlene Glaze, Activity Leader



Thank You Marissa and Doug Hunter for hosting our last euchre party for this season! The first prize winner was me, 2nd place Doug Hunter, and 3rd place goes to Dennis Connors.

I want to thank again all the members who hosted our euchre parties this year, because we could not play cards without you!

Happy Summer! See you in September!

Ladies Game Night – Jill Miceli, Activity Leader



There are no dates planned for the summer. I am looking for hostesses to start back in the fall. If you would like to host in September or any other month, please let Jill know.

Have a safe and fun summer.

Mah Jongg – Jane Egermann, Activity Leader



Unlike many other Newcomer activities, mah jongg does not take the summer off. We will be playing in June and July on our regular second and fourth Fridays. That translates into June 13 at 9:30 am, June 27 at 1 pm, July 11 at 9:30 am and July 25 at 1pm. We will play at the home of Jane Egermann.

New players are always welcome. If your schedule is freed up over the summer days, come and join us. Don't worry if you can't remember all those dates, just make sure you are on Jane's email list for reminders and updates.

Please let Jane know if you plan to attend or need directions to her house. Her email is jane48085@yahoo.com.

Meadowbrook Ushering – Marie Hochstein, Activity Leader



**SHEAR
MADNESS**
ROCHESTER'S HILARIOUS WHODUNIT!

It is hard to believe that we have reached the final play of the 2024-2025 Meadow Brook Theatre Season. I have enjoyed this line up of plays and hope you have too! Our final performance will be SHEAR MADNESS, Rochester's Hilarious Whodunit. This play has returned to the Theatre based on popular demand

requests. We will be ushering from June 11th through June 15th. Remember to locate a substitute if you are unable to honor your commitment.

Information on the new season and sign-up opportunities will be sent to you in August, so watch the newsletter carefully. One of the joyful parts of leading this group is that so many Newcomers happily return year after year to support the theatre and have fun! This is truly a great social benefit for our members.

It is time for me to step down in the leadership role. I am happy to introduce your new leads: Michele Burns (micheleburns@gmail.com) and Joann Twigg (jmeetup3@gmail.com). I am here to assist them in any way and support materials have already been shared. Look for them at the Start Up Kickoff and introduce yourself. Please sign up early for your desired commitment to make sure you get your desired time and date slot.

It has been my privilege to serve this wonderful group of ushers and the Meadow Brook Theatre.

Pickle Ball – Michele Burns, Activity Leader



The Newcomer Picklers are having a great time so we will continue with a 3rd Session of Pickleball thru June 11. We will be taking a break over the summer. Please watch the newsletter for information on new playing times for fall. If you have any questions, please contact Michele (michelemburns@gmail.com)

Scrapbooking – Darcel Connors, Activity Leader



We will be meeting at the home of Darcel Connors, for a daytime scrap on Wednesday June 18th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Plan on bringing a sack lunch. Darcel will provide drinks and snacks. If you would like to attend, please let Darcel know by emailing her at darcelc@prodigy.net.

Somerset Golf League 2025 Season **Debbie Risko & Karen Hrit, Activity Leaders**



Somerset Golf League 2025 Season

Thursday morning at Somerset Golf Club
10-week league, **June 19 through August 21**

There will be no make-up days if you miss.

If the course is closed due to inclement weather, we will receive rain checks.

Questions? Email at cwtpremiertravel@yahoo.com or call Karen Hrit 248-840-0755

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Address_____

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Golf Partner's Name_____ Phone_____

You must also sign-up for membership with Troy Newcomers Club

Send check to:

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

Attention: Membership Secretary

Please put on check your birthday and email address

Cost is \$25.00 if renewing and \$30.00 if a new member

Sylvan Glen Golf League 2025 Season – Gail Trendler, Activity Leader



The Sylvan Glen golf league kicked off on May 1st, only to be rained out. We have played 2 weeks, one of them, very chilly. The cool and wet May weather has continued, resulting in a cancellation on May 22. Here's hoping for a warm and sunny June, July August!

We are welcoming back 18 golfers and have added 5 new golfers this year.

Welcome back and welcome to the League.

Wine Tasting – Ann Britton, Activity Leader



If you are interested in trying some new wines, enjoying good conversation and selection of appetizers and pot luck type dishes, consider attending a evening. The June wine tasting will be held on June 14th a 6:30 pm. It by Carol Profit. Please RSVP, Carol Profit at clprofit@comcast.net or Wednesday, June 11, if you plan to attend.

Each wine tasting evening is hosted by a Troy Newcomer member. The members may bring a spouse or friend, along with an appetizer, their wine glasses and drinker which will contribute to the cost of the wine. Those who do not welcome to attend contributing an appetizer but are not asked to pay the chooses the wines she would like to serve. The hostess supplies the This is held once a month on a Friday or Saturday evening of the pm.

Wine tasting is not held in the Summer. Wine tasting will resume in the Fall.



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May Luncheon Recap

The Moose Preserve served up some very tasty lunches, as we concluded the year with our final luncheon. It was very nice to visit with members and enjoy a relaxing lunch. The luncheon team everyone in attendance with beautiful potted plants for each attendee to take home. you again, to the team of Marie Watson and Kathy Holm for organizing our luncheons this year.



Wednesday, July 9, 2025 – Rain or Shine
GARDENS OPEN: 9:30 AM – 3:00 PM & 5:00 – 8:30 PM

Garden Stories 2025

Troy Garden Club's
50th garden walk!

Garden Walk Tickets:

\$15 in advance / \$18 day of walk
Purchase Advance Tickets at:

Auburn Oaks Garden Center
Bordine's Rochester Hills
Piechnik's Greenhouse & Garden Gate
Telly's Greenhouse
Troy Historic Village
Uncle Luke's Feed Store

Online Tickets:

For purchase information,
visit the TGC website:

www.TroyGardenClubMI.com

Facebook & Instagram:

Troy Garden Club MI

NOTE:

*On garden walk day, Wednesday, July 9,
garden walk tickets will be sold
ONLY at the
Troy Historic Village.*

Free Raffle:

For ALL garden walk ticket holders
at the Troy Historic Village
on garden walk day

Free Admission: Midsummer Arts & Crafts Boutique & Plant Sale at
the Troy Historic Village – 60 W. Wattles, just west of Livernois
Open Wednesday, July 9, 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

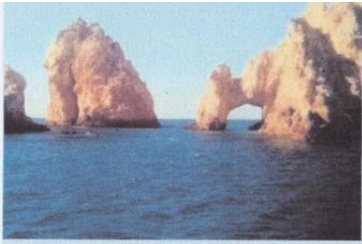


Grand Prize-winning art by Jiwoo Park,
5th grade, Leonard Elementary School, Troy



Garden Stories 2025 general information: 248-321-8291

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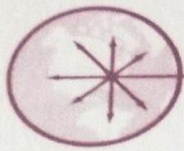


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RATES for DISPLAY ADS (per year):

Business Card - \$25

Quarter Page - \$50

Half Page - \$75

Full Page - \$100

Circulation of our newsletter is approximately 140. Your ad will also be posted on our website for no additional charge. Members can purchase a 30-word classified ad for \$5.00 per month (please note any classified ads will NOT be posted on the website).

Ad payments are due before the newsletter deadline (the 25th of each month.)

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



June 2025

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July 2025

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