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Tri-V Umph
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President's Message

Well summer is officially here and the club picnic is just around the corner. Hopefully we get good weather maybe just not quite as hot as it was this past week!

The Trachsel family is leaving for our annual trip to Ohio on Saturday. I'm so lucky to have such a great family that we can take trips together like this. I'm really looking forward to spending time with the family, getting away from the office for a week and most importantly to beating my uncles and the outlaws in our annual golf scramble. I didn't waste any of my good shots this week at golf so I should have a lot saved up.

See you all at the picnic

Mike T

Book Club

The next book club discussion will be held at Judy Lardin's on July 19 at 7:00 p.m.
Book we are discussing is "Same Kind of Different As Me" by Ron Hall and Denver Moore

TRI-V Wives Weekend Getaway

This year we are going to the Mannsiding Lodge Bed & Breakfast in Harrison, Michigan from August 20th to August 22nd. The cost per night for a single occupancy king/twin room is \$102.60 and double occupancy is \$51.30 each. The cost per night for a single occupancy queen room is \$92.34 and double occupancy is \$46.17 each. As of this writing the 2 king and 2 twin rooms have already been booked. There will be additional expenses for 2 lunches and 1 dinner, gas money for the drivers and a pontoon boat ride at Houghton Lake. The Lodge has several amenities such as a private movie theatre (feel free to bring a DVD to share), hot tub, central air, rooms for playing cards and games, and several nature trails for the adventurous and an elevator for easy access to the rooms. Jan knows the owners John & Donna Hudson personally and can confidently say it is a nice quiet getaway for our group.

Donna Hudson will be preparing our dinner Saturday evening and she is a great cook. So to all Tri-V wives (not just members) or their significant other, please let one of the committee members know by June 15th if you would like to come and enjoy a fun filled weekend with the girls.

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TRI-V Steak Roast Saturday, August 14, 2010

The Steak Roast will be held at Gunner Mettala Park in Wixom at the main pavilion shelter. The park is located on Maple Road (15 Mile Road) between Beck Road and Wixom Road (closer to Beck Road). The committee will be there at 2:00pm and dinner will be at 5:00pm so come early and enjoy the great outdoors. There are tennis courts, baseball fields and walking paths available if interested in some side activities. Also you are welcome to bring any other games you would like to play.

Remember to bring your chairs, place settings and beverages. The main menu will be NY strip steak, corn on the cob, salad, dessert and coffee. See you there! Chairman-Cal Cashman

Tri V Final Golf

FINAL GOLF
August 20, 21, 22, 2010

We have 21 signed up for the week-end at Ray's Retreat in Gaylord. There may be 2 additional coming for Saturday and Sunday. If you haven't signed up yet, but would like to come it is not too late. We will be playing the Wilderness Friday at 12:00. Saturday we will be at The Pines at 10:00. Sunday we will be at Black Forest at 10:00. Dinners for Friday and Saturday are included along with breakfasts on Saturday and Sunday. No beer is being included this year so bring your own. The total cost has not been finalized but is expected to be less than \$300.00.

Chairman Jay Trachsel
Brian Trachsel
Steve Trachsel

JULY PICNIC

The Tri-V Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, July 18, 2010. It will be held at Gunnar Mettalla Park, 645 Mettala in Wixom. This is the same location it has been held in the past few years. Mettalla Park is off Maple Road, west of Beck Road. Picnic begins at 12:00 noon with lunch at 1:00 pm.

Games for little ones and adults will follow lunch--there will be some new **FUN** games this year for all to participate in. This is a **FAMILY PICNIC** so bring all of your family with you. The committee asks all families attending (even guests) to assist in preparing the luncheon buffet. Each family is asked to

bring a dish to share that serves 12-15 persons. We are always in need of casseroles. Other dishes include salads, veggies, fruits, and of course, desserts (preferably those that can be eaten by little ones without a big mess) i.e. cookies, brownies, finger jello, etc. REMEMBER to bring your own place settings, drinks, ice, lawn chairs, games, etc. Anyone who has sponsored a Prospective Member, please invite them as well.

In past years the Tri-V Wives club has asked people to sign up for the dish you plan to bring but in the past the response has **NOT** been great. This year there will **NOT** be a sign-up sheet.

If you have any questions, please call Mike Lardin 734-404-5132 or 734-536-1345.

Mike Lardin, committee chairman

Wives July Swim

JULY SWIM is being held at Blondie's house on Wednesday, July 21st. Arrival is 3:00 followed by dinner at 5:00. Please contact either Blondie 248-349-3226 or Jacqui 248-349-7359. We are planning the food and need to know the attendance. Our meeting will follow the dinner with further discussion about our Girl's outing in August. Hope to see you all there. Bring your swimming suit and your own beverage. We are ordering a hot sunny day.

Trifles

From the Plocharczyks

Diane Plocharczyk recently decided to take an early retirement from Bristol-Myers Squibb. Her last day will be Sept. 30, 2010. This is about 11/2 years earlier than planned, but when she was told her territory had been changed and her new route would be from Midland, MI, going south through Ann Arbor, Dearborn, downriver and parts of Ohio south to Findlay she said enough!

From the J. Lardins

Things settled down enough in the Lardin Family Household starting with the birth of Alyssa to Mike and Bev on June 1st then followed by a stress test for John and jury duty for John on the 9th. This allowed Judy and John to make a long planned trip to Corpus Christi Texas to visit Larry, Kim and the kids. Unfortunately the heat index for the five days they were there was 110 to 115 degrees each day. John and Larry did get into one round of golf and after nine holes John only played every other hole on the back nine. It was just too uncomfortable with the heat and no breeze. John and Judy returned on Monday, June 28th. Mike and Bev Lardin and baby Alyssa decided to make a trip to Illinois to visit Grandma Mille and let her see her new great granddaughter. Bev tried to get Judy to join them but Judy just wanted to stay home. As most of you know Judy's Mom was diagnosed with congestive heart failure when she was in Florida with Judy and John and has had breathing problems since then. We got a call from Bev on Thursday evening and Mom had suffered a TIA (a mini stroke). Judy and John left immediately for her home and arrived about midnight there time. Mom had suffered some slurring of her speech and could not write her name. By Friday morning she had regained all her functions and by late Friday you would not have known she had the stroke. Mike and Bev returned on Saturday, July 3rd, and Judy and John returned on Monday, July 5th. Mom was doing great when they left and Mom decided that she can continue as she did before and will not have anyone staying with her. She thanks

all for their many prayers and good wishes. She was surprised when Jack and Jacquie Schaefer stopped by and spend Saturday night with her on their way back from Arkansas. All were able to play some cards and they left Mom in great spirits.

From Art Trachsel

Here is a Trifle for younothing like tooting your own horn. As Art Trachsel has had to give up some of his activities due to declining health but has been honored in the process. He was a full page subject in his community newspaper for serving as the coordinator for helping put on 5 blood drives a year for 14 years. Then his church gave him a plaque and had a special service for his work in many areas for 14 years. He was also honored by Meals on Wheels for the same period for his service on their Board of Directors and Recording Secretary. He felt it kept him young and he finds it hard to be unable to do those things anymore.

From Dominic Angelosantos



Nick and Vickie Angelosanto have had a very exciting and long June. On June 10 they took Grandma Rosa (Nick's mom) to urgent care for a persistent unending cough. She was given meds and told to follow up with her doctor the following day. That would normally be okay, but N & V had a full calendar and couldn't take her. After exhausting the list of relatives Vickie called Karlyn Gies who graciously said she would take Rosa. Exhausting is a good word, because Karlyn was with Rosa and Giuseppe from about 11:00 am to 4:30 pm. Grandma was admitted to the hospital for a week with congestive heart failure

and pneumonia. As of today and after many different doctor visits and a planned visit with an ENT specialist Rosa is home, but still continually coughing. We hope a solution is found soon. Please keep her in your prayers. Part of N & V's busy day, June 11 included welcoming Anthony Jordan (son of Robyn and John Mackson) into the family. Could he be future Tri-V? ☺ Because, Mommy Robyn and Dada John were at the hospital all day, Vickie had the honor of escorting 5 year old Dominic to a wedding in which he was ring bearer. Vickie said this was one of the highlights in her life. Anyone wanting to see pictures just ask proud grandma. Vickie thinks Nick needed attention, because he got extremely sick. A trip to urgent care and he was put on meds. All signs pointed to a kidney stone. A follow up CT the next day showed no stones, but Nick wasn't improving and he got a temperature. Nick's doctor said to go to the ER. As Vickie was on the road working, she put in another call to a Tri-V member. John Lardin came right over and took Nick to Novi Providence until Vickie could come. After a trip to an urologist it appears Nick had a bladder infection at the same time as his back went out. He has an appointment at the Providence Pain Center for a back treatment this week. The treatments have always given some relief. Because bladder infections are rare in men there is a follow up visit and tests scheduled at the urologist in a couple of weeks. After a week Vickie said Nick is finally back to the living. As of July 1 Vickie's mom is officially again a Michigan resident. All her insurance and legal id has been transferred from AZ. Granny will be living permanently with N & V and Vickie's sister Norma. They feel blessed they have Senior Day Care. Granny attends SDC every weekday from about 9 to 2. As Vickie often says if we are the sandwich generation she is "bologna". Special thanks to Karlyn, John, Judy and all our Tri-V family. When we joined Tri-V many years ago we were told it was a family. As the years go on we understand the true meaning of Tri-V and appreciate our extended family more and more. July has started off with us smiling. We've celebrated, Dion's, 4th of July birthday and are ready to pack for our annual trip to Ohio with the Kuhr and Trachsel families. Ah, one week of fun and relaxation.

Calendar of Events

July

- 5th Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 12th Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 18th Tri-V Family Picnic
(Gunnar Mettala Park 12 pm)
- 19th Ladies Book Club
(Judy Lardin 7:00 pm)
- 19th Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 21st Wives Swim
(Blondie Forythe 3:00 pm)

July Birthdays

- 4th Dion Angelosanto
- 5th Roy Lockhart
- 21st Michael Trachsel

July Anniversaries

- 7-9-83 Dave & Geri Ruetenik
- 7-14-45 Bill & Onalee Trachsel
- 7-17-65 Terry & Ellie Connolly

August

- 2nd Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 9th Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 14th Tri-V Steak Roast
(Gunnar Mettala Park 2:00 pm
Dinner 5:00 pm)
- 16th Tri-V Golf League
(Hickory Hills 4:30 pm)
- 18th Wives Meeting
(7:00 pm)
- 20th Men's Final Golf
Gaylord Tee Time 12:00 pm
- 20th Wive's Getaway Weekend
Harrison

August Birthdays

- 2nd Kathie Dushary
- 5th Don Winters
- 6th John Lardin
- 9th Matthew VanHollebeke
- 21st Katie Stress
- 28th John Mackson
- 29th Peg Hoffman

August Anniversaries

- 8-4-72 Jay & Liz Trachsel
- 8-4-09 Steve & Amber Trachsel
- 8-12-78 Jerry & Barb Gies
- 8-13-??? Jason & April Osborne
- 8-27-71 Terry & Sue Dunham
- 8-31-51 Dick & Joyce Barnes

MEMORIES FROM THE JULY 2000 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMP-H

July was a transition month of changing Editor/Publisher of TRI-V Umph and a newsletter was not printed that month. I could always go into Judy's diary for some memories and even though it might be some enjoyable and funny reading, I don't think she would appreciate it. So you will have to dig out your home pictures that have dates on them and think of your very own memories for the month of July 2000.

MEMORIES FROM THE JULY 2005 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMP-H

Our prayers went out to the Brenton family on their loss of Wilma Brenton on June 25th. She had suffered a stroke in mid June. Wilma had just celebrated her 90th birthday. She was the wife of original member Brady. Art Trachsel found out in late June that he had the beginning of Macular Degeneration. Doctors were hoping vitamins would keep his eyes from getting any worse and he continued to battle singles. Dave Ruetenik woke one morning in late June and couldn't see out of one eye. Geri took him to the hospital where he stayed for a couple of days while they ran test and they think he had a small stroke and part of his sight has returned. We asked all to continue to remember all in our prayers. We welcome to the TRI-V FAMILY Jerry Gies and wife Barb as our newest perspective. The month of July found TRI-V Members traveling as well as having visitors coming into town. Maryann Little was in Interlochen Michigan visiting Ray and Dorothy Suchner, Doris and Jim DeLanoy flew to Michigan to help celebrate his great grandson's first birthday, Babs Wagner was up at her cottage in Northern Michigan and having daughter Nancy from Hawaii with her for three weeks, Art Trachsel was coming up to Michigan to spend the month of August with his daughter Diane, Betty Galloway was going to San Francisco California to help spread the ashes of her brother near the Golden Gate Bridge, Bob and Sherry Kuhr had company from Kentucky, Judy spent the first week of July with her Mom in Buhl Idaho celebrating her Uncle's 80th birthday party, the Gies' spent the 4th of July with the Dusharys in Lansing Michigan and finally the Connolly's spent the weekend with the Cashman's at their cottage. Geoff Steinhauer started a new job doing Desktop support for AAA Life in Livonia and it was July 16th of 2005 that John Lardin retired from Northwest Airlines. The Wives Annual July Swim was set for July 16th at the pool and club house of Onallee Trachsel, the Steak Roast will be at Gilbert Willis Park in Wixom on August 13th, the Girls Book Club will be on August 22nd at the home of Onallee Trachsel and TRI-V Couples Golf weekend was set for September 17th and 18th in Clair Michigan. This wraps up another trip down Memory Lane. Hard to believe that John Lardin has been retired for five years from Northwest and continues to use the flight benefits that he and Judy have as part of his retirement package. The first week of July has been a hot one and many of us complain about the heat and humidity. Very often we put a string of 90 or almost 90 degree days together and it has happened when we were kids also but it did not bother us. Most of us did not have a window air conditioner let alone central air. I can remember sleeping with the doors open and a big fan blowing the cool night air into the house or even sleeping on the front porch on the swing. Cannot imagine doing that now, they way the world has changed. We made Popsicles from kool-aid using the rubber Maid holders or Mom yelling "You don't need any more pop. Drink water." No matter how hot it was almost every night good ol Mom still fixed a warm meal in the hot kitchen for dinner. Think of all the conveniences that we have that our Mom did not have, would we be able to make it? Would we take the time to hand the clothes out to dry then have to iron them and most of the time she would let us just play and do the daily chores all by herself and complain very little about how hot it was or how tired she was or memories of those good ol days of dad cutting the grass with a bladed push mower and cutting the hedges with hand clippers. None of those gas powered equipment or ozone action days and no water restrictions. We kept cool by running through the sprinkler on the hose. Maybe one family in the neighborhood had a swimming pool that we went to. Maybe you could not go because the owner of the pool did not want to be a babysitter and required your mom or dad be there to watch you. Back then if you had to run to the store you could ask a neighbor to watch the kids so you could go and you would the same for them. Now days so many do not know their neighbors if they live more than two doors away. Perhaps with a little bit of effort on all our part we can once again enjoy some of the things that our parents had that made it a good time to be raised, helped make us a better kids and adults. With that we close out this months memories. Until next month when we see you in print, the Good Lord willing, take care of each other, help each other, share a hug, kiss or hand shake.