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President's Message

No report was given

Book Club

The next book club discussion will be held on August 23 at Sherry Kuhr's at 7:00 pm. Book we are discussing is "The Last Night in Twisted River" by John Irving.

Wives Meeting

Tri-V Wives meeting will be held on Wednesday Sept. 15th, at 7p.m. at Marlene Wutka's home. call for directions if needed. 248 486-2550

From the Tri-V Wives July Swim – 2010

Watermelon – Feta Salad **Serves 4 – Prep Time 10 minutes**

Cool, Crunchy Melon and mint offset the creamy, salty feta and kalamata olives, and the lime brightens up the whole crazy-sounding combination.

2 lbs watermelon cut in 1-inch cubes
Handful of mint, roughly chopped
10 kalamata olives, pitted and halved
Small red onion diced (about 2 Tbls)
Juice of ½ lime
½ tsp sea salt
7 Oz feta
Additional mint for serving

Black pepper

In a large bowl, gently toss the watermelon pieces so they stay whole with the mint, olives, red onions, lime juice and sea salt. Refrigerate for an hour. Before serving, add the feta, a bit more mint and cracked pepper.

194 calories (60% from Fat) 13 grams Fat, 13 grams carbohydrates, 8 grams protein, 941 mg sodium, 44 mg cholesterol, 2 grams fiber By Peggy Hoffman

TRI-V Wives Weekend Getaway

Fourteen of us gathered in Clare, Mi for a delightful lunch and a little shopping. We then proceeded to our destination, Mannsiding Lodge Bed & Breakfast in Harrison. We had the spacious lodge to ourselves for most of the weekend. We played a lot of card games. Bid euchre, skip bo, hand and foot, sequence and even taught our newest member's wife April how to play Tri V pinochle. On Saturday, Dian Plocharczyk was able to join us for the day. That worked out good for us, as it was not only great to visit with her, but she also volunteered to pilot one of the two pontoon boats we reserved. After our boat ride, we enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch at Coyles Restaurant. Later that evening we snacked on hamburgers and hot dogs prepared by Donna Hudson. We learned first hand that a number of our group had phobias. Such as fear of boating and fear of spiders. Also, one with Claustrophobia got stuck in the inn's elevator. We also had an excessive worrier with us. Anyone recognize his wife??? We had fun finding the ten items hidden in Judy's birdseed filled pop bottle. A good time was truly had by all. Special thanks to Jan Cashman for making the arrangements while dealing with her Mother's illness. Your Committee Ellie & Jan

STEAK ROAST

The Tri-V Steak Roast was held on August 14, 2010 at the Gunnar Mettala Park in Wixom at the main pavilion shelter house. The committee arrived at 2:00pm, arranged the picnic tables, shucked the corn, prepared the fire pit and set up snacks and food on the serving tables. Our guests began arriving about 3:00pm. Socializing and cocktail time began with snacks and some card playing. At approximately 5:00pm Brett Barnes led us in prayer and then we began enjoying New York Strip steak, corn on the cob and coleslaw. For dessert we had fruit cocktail and short bread cookies. The committee planned some games such as a water balloon toss with Terry & Ellie Connolly being the final winners and the golf chipping contest with Terry Connolly being the winner. We had 31 people in attendance and everyone seemed to have a great time. The weather cooperated at a warm 82 degrees and sunny. Beats rain any day. The committee did a great job. Thanks to all.

Committee: Chairman Cal Cashman and Jan
 Brett and Lynne Barnes
 Jerry and Barb Gies
 Jack & Jacqui Schaefer
 Terry Connolly (a volunteer steak griller)

Tri V Final Golf

FINAL GOLF
August 20, 21, 22, 2010

Final golf was held at Ray's Retreat Country Inn in Gaylord, MI. We played Wilderness Valley, The Pines and Gaylord Country Club. There were three one day events with separate prize money each day. On Friday the event was an individual ball tournament based on the Callaway scoring system. That ended in a three way tie between Mike Trachsel, Chris Kuhr and Chris's friend Phil "the Ringer". Saturday's event was a Red Ball scramble. The winners were the team of Jeff Trachsel, John Lardin and Phil "the Ringer". Sunday was a four man scramble event. Phil's team only finished second to the team of Matt VanHollebeke, Jack Schaefer, John Lardin and Tom Untener. The price and the set-up at Ray's Retreat is great for our group and there are so many beautiful courses in the area that we booked Ray's again for next year for the third week-end in August.

Chairman Jay Trachsel
Steve Trachsel
Brian Trachsel

Trifles

From the J. Lardins

On Saturday, August 14th, Jacob Lardin, three year old son of Larry and Kim Lardin in Corpus Christi TX told Kim "We have to go to the airport to pick-up Grandpa and Grandma." Kim told him "They are not coming to the airport." Jacob then said "Oh they are driving." Kim replied "No they are not coming." Jacob told Kim "I want Grandpa and Grandma to come see me and play with me." Kim told him "You better call and tell them." He proceeded to call Judy and told how he wanted them to come visit him and Judy told him "You better call Grandpa and tell him." John was golfing in a K of C Charity Outing at Rush Lake in Pinckney and on the third hole the cell phone rang and it was Jacob asking John "When are you coming to visit me and play with me?" John replied "Pretty soon Jacob." John told Judy "When the kids start calling it is time to get moving" and with this John and Judy planned a surprise visit with only Larry knowing of their plans to visit them over Labor Day Weekend leaving on Thursday morning and returning on Tuesday evening. Upon their return they will begin making final plans with fellow TRI-Vers for their week long trip to Branson MS, leaving on Sunday, September 19th. Labor Day Weekend will also find Mike and Bev Lardin with the three children to visit Grandma, Judy's Mom, in Illinois for the weekend, leaving on Friday and returning on Monday. Speaking of Millie, Judy's Mom, she continues to have her good days and bad days with here breathing with the most problem being on days that the humidity is high. They have had the same if not warmer and more humid weather in Illinois than we have had here in Michigan but she continues to try to keep busy doing as much as she can.

Calendar of Events

September

8th Men's Mtg (6:30 pm)
Walker's Speakeasy
15th Wive's Club Mtg. (7 pm)
Marlene Wutka's home

September Birthdays

8th Joyce Barnes
9th Shirley Suchner
12th Lee Anderson
16th Art Trachsel
26th Jane Trachsel &
Matt Hoffman

September Anniversaries

9-16-67 Bob & Sherry Kuhr
9-18-71 Geo & Peg Hoffman
9-20-68 Art & Kathie Dushary
9-30-89 Cal & Janet Cashman

October

2nd Pinochle Begins
13th Men's Mtg. (6:30 pm)
Walker's Speakeasy
20th Wive's Club Mtg. (7 pm)

October Birthdays

6th Robyn Mackson
8th Delores McMillan
15th Don Winters

October Anniversaries

10-19-68 Jack & Jacqui Schaefer
10-24-87 Brett & Lynn Barnes
10-25-58 Dennis & Marlene Wutka

MEMORIES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 2000 ISSUE OF TRIV-UMPH

This month's issue had very little about the health and welfare of our TRI-V Family. We continue to pray for Ruben Fischer as he continued his battle with cancer. Ruben had recently retired and has been unable to enjoy this retirement. Ray Suchner, our founder, had a pacemaker inserted in his chest and in the process his lung was punctured. Cal Cashman had his kidney stones broken with sound waves the end of August. Lee Anderson while working on the remodeling of his home the middle of August fell and hurt his ankle and messed up his leg. Curt Martin has decided to delay indefinitely any knee surgery as the therapy has helped and he is more comfortable and Stan Massoll, brother of Bud Massoll, broke his ankle while golfing with the Thursday morning senior TRI-Vers at Bra Burn Golf Course. Gretchen Dunham, daughter to Terry and Sue Dunham, had been accepted into an internship at Western Michigan University and Sandra Blough, daughter of Jack and Jacqui Schaefer graduated from Western Michigan University with her Master's in counseling. Bob Kuhr played tennis this summer with a USA Tennis Travel League for the Livonia YMCA and their son, Chris, was not established in Florida and hoped to be working for either Disney World or Universal Studio. Peg Hoffman and Jacqui Schaefer made a trip to Bloomington, IN to visit Suzie Dunham while the guys were at final golf. The TRI-V Golf League completed its 2000 season with Terry Connolly the winner in A Flight and a tie in B Flight with Romas Bliudzius and Leo Fanos. The Steak Roast was held August 12th at Fraser Acres and again was a success. Final Golf was held the weekend of August 25th, 26th and 27th at Jackson MI. with 27 golfers in attendance and the winners for the weekend were in A Flight Mike Lardin, B Flight Art Dushary and C Flight Dave Ruetenik. Bowling was set to start on September 26th at Lanagan's Bowling Alley in Farmington.

MEMORIES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 2005 ISSUE OF TRIV-UMPH

Our prayers were needed for Dottie Wagner who fell and broke her hip in August and was in a rehab facility and for Jacqui Schaefer who had knee surgery in August and was recovering nicely as she starts her last year of home day care at the end of August. John and Donna Clingerman celebrated the marriage of daughter, Becky, to Jason Hill on September 4th at the Ciccone Vineyard, north of Traverse City. Judy Lardin was happy that summer was coming to an end as she kept busy all but one weekend starting the last week of August with her either going out of town for 5 days each week for having house guest for 5 days through the last weekend of September except one. Tim and Karlyn Gies were making plans for a trip in the fall of 2006 to the U.S National Parks out west. Peg and George Hoffman have been traveling a lot with their new fifth wheel. The children of TRI-V Members spend time traveling with Rob Kuhr, son of Bob and Sherry Kuhr traveling to Albania, Tracey and Nick Katcherian, daughter to Tim and Karlyn Gies, going to Seattle WA and Frank Connolly, son of Terry and Ellie Connolly, traveling to Hong Kong. The Steak Roast was held at Willis Park, Wixom, with 54 members and guest in attendance. This wraps up another trip down Memory Lane. Now that the "dog days" of summers are over and things are getting to normal take the time to share memories with your family and friends. Some of our children or grandchildren are going to school for only the first or second time. Take the time to show interest. Ask them how they are doing, how they enjoy school. Share with them some of your early days of school with them. Remember they are our future. Until we meet you in print next month, the Good Lord willing, take care of one another.