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March 2011

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### **President's Message**

Last night was the last night of Pinochle for the season. It was a lot of fun having all of the leaders playing at the same house last night and the championship came down to the very last game. Congratulations to my mom for winning first place! Everyone had a great time Feather Bowling at the Cadiuex Café last weekend. My team didn't do very well but we had fun. At our meeting this month we have our election for officers and council. If you are not going to be at the meeting and would like a absentee ballot for officer elections, be sure to contact the nominations committee for a ballot if you have not done so already. Hope to see you all at the Anniversary Party. Happy 74th Anniversary TRI-V!

Mike T

### **Book Club**

No report was given

### **Wives Meeting**

#### **TRI-V WIVES -- TIME CHANGE**

Our March meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 15th at 1:00 at Dolores's house. We will enjoy an afternoon of cards and conversation. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **TRI-V GIRLS' MAY DINNER** **MAY 18TH 2011**

The Girls' May Dinner will be held at the Bayside Grill located at 142 East Walled Lake Drive, Walled Lake, Mi on May 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:30pm with cocktails and dinner to follow at 6:00pm. Bayside's dinner menu includes delicious appetizers, salads, sandwiches, soups, pasta, Mexican, beef, pork,

chicken, seafood, pizza and desserts so there is something for everyone. All women of TRI-V which includes wives, significant others, fiancées and daughters (21 years or older) are invited to come and enjoy an evening of fun and fellowship.

Please contact Jan Cashman (248-669-9209) or Karlyn Gies (248) 442-1283 no later than May 10<sup>th</sup> to confirm. We are looking forward to seeing everyone so please mark your calendars for this special evening.

Your committee  
Jan Cashman  
Karlyn Gies

## **TRI-V CLUB BYLAW CHANGE**

**The following TRI-V Club Bylaw change was approved at the Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> Club meeting pertaining to the absentee ballot.**

### **Article IV, Item 2:**

**All members eligible to vote and unable to attend the March meeting may cast their vote by absentee ballot. It is the responsibility of the member to request an absentee ballot from the election committee. He may request to receive the ballot electronically or by U.S. Mail. It is the member's responsibility to return the ballot to the election committee by e-mail, U.S. Mail or by hand, not verbally or by text message.**

**THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE ARE ACTIVE AND LOCAL ACTIVE MEMBERS. IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF AN ABSENTEE BALLOT YOU MUST REQUEST IT FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE, CAL CASHMAN, ([CJCASH89@comcast.net](mailto:CJCASH89@comcast.net)) and return to Cal either electronically or my US MAIL.**

## **Winter Event**

The Cadieux Cafe was the location of the winter event this year. A total of 25 people 12 members and 13 guests enjoyed an evening of Feather Bowling. All people played at least 3 games with lots of competitive fun. After 2 hours of lots of competition, we enjoyed normal food and buckets of Mussels, which is the house specialty. NO, not everyone had the mussels so do not let that keep you away on our next visit. We have to applaud Jason Osborne for sitting in the middle of the group who went for the mussels. Your committee, Jack Jeff and Jason

## **TRI-V PINOCHLE 2010-2011**

### **February Pinochle at the Angelosantos**

February Cards at Angelosanto's on Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> it started to snow and never stopped. I was cleaning snow from my curb as our guests arrived, so they had somewhere to park their cars. We are glad they made the effort to arrive, because we had great company for the evening.

Coming in first was Jane Trachsel with 29 1/2 , second was Karen Thrift with 26 and Jeff Trachsel had third with 20 1/2. The rest came in the high teens except, for my daughter Robyn Mackson and Sherry Kuhr.

Everyone had a great time and was glad it wasn't a late evening, because it was still snowing and they had to brave the roads.

Love, Nick Angelosanto

## **Final Pinochle - 2011**

Final Pinochle will be held on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> at **Leon's of Wixom**, located at:

29710 South Wixom Road (North of I-96 on the east side of the road)  
Wixom, MI 48393

**Cocktails** and socializing will commence at 6:00 p.m. (Cash Bar)

**Dinner** will be served at approximately 7:00 p.m. You must choose in advance from anyone of the following entrees:

Lemon Chicken – Chicken breast sautéed in a lemon butter tossed with mushrooms, spinach, and tomatoes. Served with mashed potatoes and vegetables.

Pork Chops – Two 6 oz. char grilled pork chops served with vegetables, mashed potatoes, and gravy.

Grilled Salmon – Topped with a pineapple salsa, served with rice and vegetable.

St. Louis BBQ Ribs – Half slab served with French fries and coleslaw.

All dinners include soup (chicken noodle, tomato basil, or cabbage), rolls, and non-alcoholic beverages. The committee has already sampled the cuisine and found it to be quite good. We will also be serving cake for dessert.

We will follow dinner with some new and interesting games that promise to challenge and amuse all.

We need to have a **firm count** of all those who plan to attend by **Wednesday April 6<sup>th</sup>**. Please notify either Brian Trachsel or Jack Schaefer if you are planning to attend, and give them your meal selections. The cost is estimated to be \$17 per person.

Your Committee (Bob, Brian, and Jack)

Final Pinochle is scheduled for Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup>. We have not settled on a location yet, but we wanted everyone to put this date on your calendars. Everyone is invited, even if you did not play pinochle this year. We are planning some interesting games to amuse you after dinner. **So, don't miss it!** Your Committee (Bob, Brian, and Jack)

**2010-11 TRI-V PINOCHLE STANDINGS**

**TOTAL Double Round**  
**POINTS Pinochle House**

	Y = 3 Way tie for Third			Z = Two way tie for fourth place			TOTAL POINTS	Double Pinochle	Round House
	W = 2 way tie for second			S = Sub \$ = Paid Point \$ X = 2 way Tie For First					
	10/2/2010	11/6/2010	12/4/2010	1/8/2011	2/5/2011	3/5/2011			
<b>X = 2 Way tie for Third</b>									
<b>V = 3 Way tie for First</b>									
<b>\$ = Paid Points</b>									
Jane Trachsel	21.0	36.0 A	18.5	15.5	29.5 A	22.0	142.5		
Mike Trachsel	14.0	30.5 B	23.5	26.0 W	22.0	24.0 B	140.0	1	
Jeff Trachsel	33.5 A	15.0	28.0 W	19.0	20.5 C	23.0 C	139.0	1	
Victoria Angelosanto	23.0 D	19.5	31.5 A	21.5	19.0	22.5 D	137.0		
Nick Angelosanto	22.0	23.5 D	18.5	24.5 C	19.5	28.0 A	136.0	1	
Jack Schaefer	22.5 D	21.5	28.0 W	21.5	9.5	22.0	125.0		
Robyn Mackson	24.0 C	29.5 C	20.5 D	28.0 A	14.0	8.5	124.5	3	
Brian Trachsel	30.0 B	9.0	25.0	20.5	16.0	18.0	118.5		
Dion Angelosanto	32.5 A	14.0	19.5	14.5	25.0 B	8.5 @	114.0	2	1
Jan Cashman	25.0 C	19.5	16.0	18.5	18.0	15.5	112.5		
Jacqui Schaefer	15.5	20.5	14.0	23.0 D	23.0 X	10.5	106.5	1	
Brett Barnes	13.0 @	6.5 @	30.5 A	21.0	23.0 X	8.5 @	102.5		
John Mackson	13.0 @	21.5	19.0	10.5 @	18.5	18.0	100.5		
Karen Thrift	15.5	17.0	7.0	15.0	26.0 B	17.5	98.0		
Cal Cashman	17.0	11.5	24.5 C	12.0	18.5	12.0	95.5		
April Osborne	14.0	23.0 D	20.0 D	16.0	13.0	8.5 @	94.5		1
Annemarie Angelosanto	15.5	17.0	15.5	23.0 Z	9.5 @	8.5 @	89.0	1	
Jason Osborne	20.5	6.5	22.5 B	11.5	17.0	8.5 @	86.5	1	
Terry Connolly	19.5		17.0	20.5	25.5 A		82.5		
Bob Kuhr		15.5	17.5	28.0 B	20.0 D		81.0		
Ellie Connolly	14.0		16.5	30.5 A	17.5		78.5		
Sherry Kuhr		17.5	29.5 B	18.5	12.5		78.0		
Romas Bliudzius			22.0 C	26.0 W	14.5	12.0	74.5	1	
Ken Stress		18.0	13.0	23.0 Z		20.0	74.0		
Lynne Barnes	13.0 @	6.5 @	12.5	15.5	9.5 @	8.5 @	65.5		
Dennis Wutka	15.5	25.5	20.5				61.5		
John Lardin	21.5	16.5	23.0 A				61.0		
Blondie Forsyth	14.0	23.5	18.5				56.0		
Kate Stress		13.5	16.0	10.5		15.5	55.5		
George Hoffman	28.0 B	24.0 C					52.0		
Tim Gies		25.0 B	26.5 D				51.5		
Marlene Wutka	21.5	21.0	8.0				50.5		
Peggy Hoffman	18.0	28.5 A					46.5		
Judy Lardin	14.5	11.0	15.0				40.5		
Delores McMillan	13.0		15.5				28.5		
Barb Gies		26.5					26.5		
Jay Trachsel				25.5			25.5		
Karlyn Gies		10.5	13.0				23.5		
Mike Lardin			19.0				19.0		
Geoff Steinhauer			19.0				19.0		
Jerry Gies		18.5					18.5		
Bev Lardin			18.5				18.5		
Matt VanHollebeke			18.5				18.5		
Sherry Steinhauer							0.0		

**\$ MEANS POINT MONIES ARE PAID BY MONTHLY PLAYERS**  
**\$\$ MEANS POINT MONIES ARE PAID BY SUBSTITUTES**  
**S MEANS SUBSTITUES - NO POINT MONEY**

## **ANNIVERSARY PARTY REVISION**

MARCH 12, 2011

Hawthorne Valley has gone out of business so the 74<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party will be held at Northville Downs on Saturday, March 12 at 6:00pm. Northville Downs is located at 301 South Center St., Northville. We will be located on the third floor banquet room. Elevators are available. The meeting for installation of officers will start at 6:00pm in a private room behind the banquet room. A full buffet complete with three meat selections, salad and dessert bar with coffee and tea included will be available from 6:30pm to 9:30pm. A cash cocktail bar will also be available. We will have our own section by the windows overlooking the race course so we can view the harness races from 7:00pm to 11:00pm with one of the races named in honor of TRI-V. Please contact one of the committee members to confirm your reservations. It should be a very fun evening. Committee: Cal Cashman, Nick Angelosanto, Brett Barnes, Ken Stress

## **TRI-V FLORIDA ANNIVERSARY PARTY**

MARCH 18-20

Please be sure to make your own reservations for the Mystery Train dinner by February 28. Phone for reservations is 239-275-8487. Also tell them you are with the Gies party and arrive by 5:30 to be sure we will be seated together. The address is 2805 Colonial, Fort Myers, FL 33966. Maps will be given to you before hand to both days events. We will be touring the Echo Farm (Educational concerns Hunger Organization) at 10:00 am on Saturday. Part of the tour is a film so we won't be walking for the whole two hours. However, I need to know who will be attending so I can arrange for golf carts for those who might not be able to walk and stand for that long. The cost for the tour is \$5.00. Those who may not wish to take this educational tour may still meet the group for lunch at approx. 12:30 at Perkins on 41 and Hancock. Be sure to bring swim suits, towels, card and games for the rest of the day and evening at Del Tura, where Bill and Onallee live. We can enjoy the pool and have dinner under the covered grill area by the pool and have a room reserved for games and cards as evening arrives. We ask that you let either Bill Trachsel or Tim Gies know the events you will be attending. This can be done by email or phone.

See you soon.

Tim Gies - email [tkgies@gmail.com](mailto:tkgies@gmail.com) phone 248-910-1886 - Bill Trachsel 239-731-2501

### **Anniversary Greetings**

Vickie and I would like to wish everyone in our Tri-V Family a very blessed 74<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and many more. Love, Nick Angelosanto

Happy anniversary Tri-V. Michelle and I feel grateful for our time in the club, and we look forward to many more years. Bill and Michelle Trachsel

Happy Anniversary to all. The friendships and growth we have experienced since joining just ten short years ago are endless. We are certainly blessed to experience this extended family. Love and Hugs to all. Jack and Jacqui

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TRI-V. The Anniversary day seems to be closer together year as we age. Judy and I have been blessed to be part of this loving and caring group of people. We can never thank Nick Angelosanto enough to sponsor John. We only pray that the younger members will have the same love for TRI-V, keep involved, and continue to keep it strong. Again Happy Anniversary TRI-V. Judy and John Lardin

We would like to wish our TRI-V family a very happy 74<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This club is made up of such wonderful friends and we would be lost without it. It plays such an important part in our lives and lets us connect with others in every aspect of our lives. We always look forward to all the events the leadership provides and try our best to take part in all of them. We hope this wonderful club continues to celebrate many more anniversaries. Love to All Cal & Jan Cashman

Happy Anniversary! We wish that we were able to be there, but our schedules are just not working out right now. It is always fun this time of year to look back at all the years and the events and fun that we have had in Tri-V and are very thankful for all the great relationships that are there. Even with changes that have taken place in our lives that have resulted in our being at fewer events, please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Happy Anniversary and we will see you soon. Matt, Christine and Timothy James Hoffman

Wishing a happy anniversary to you all. Even though we don't see each other often, you have been a big part of our lives. It's impressive that TriV has been around so long. One of the reasons is because the members truly care about one another; support each other during the good times and bad. Hopefully this will continue for many years to come. Happy Anniversary TriV! Ken and Diane Plocharczyk

Happy 74<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tri-V!!!, I wonder if Ray and his buddies ever considered that their club would last so long. Love and support is what keeps this club together. Looking forward to the 75<sup>th</sup>!!! Jeff Trachsel & Karen Thrift

## Trifles

### From the J. Lardins

The month of February in Florida has been as good as anyone could ask for. You have a nice day and say "Can it get any better?" and the next day am saying again "Can it get any better?" Johnnie Lardin, son of Judy and John, spend an extended weekend the middle of February and plans to return for five days near the end of March. They were fortunate to welcome Jack Schaefer for a week and he along with Nick Angelosanto, Lee Anderson and John got in three rounds of golf. Jack's visit was followed with the arrival of Bev and Mike Lardin and Alyssa for six days. Judy was in her glory as she gave Alyssa all the attention she needed and saw her crawling for the first time. John and Judy's granddaughter, Bella, daughter of Mike and Gina, will be celebrating her eighth birthday on March 6<sup>th</sup> and this has required John to insist that they make another quick trip to the "Great North" to celebrate her birthday so they will be leaving on March 5<sup>th</sup> and returning on March 7<sup>th</sup>. This will also allow John to get his taxes completed and sent. Judy's sister and brother-in-law will come down for three days from Spring Hills Florida for a quick visit and hopefully a round of golf. Ellie and Terry Connolly arrived March 1<sup>st</sup> and will be staying in the same complex as Judy and John are. All in all it will be a busy month concluding with the Florida Anniversary Party the end of March. John has already make arrangements to rent the same condo for three months in 2012 and again Judy says "We will see!"

### **From the Sue Liskiewicz ( Earl Tisher's Daughter)**

I thought I would update you as to current events with my dad's health. Last month it seems that he had a serious health event. He was hospitalized for a week and is now in a skilled nursing care facility. Whether or not he had a stroke or it is just the gradual decline of Alzheimers is up for debate. He is progressing nicely, and will be re-evaluated in mid-March, as to whether or not he can return to his apartment in the assisted living area of Oakwood Common. I would include his address, but he does not receive mail. If anyone wants to send any wishes his way, send to his existing address (16352 Rotunda Drive Dearborn 48120) and I will make sure he gets them. Also, if anyone would like further information, feel free to contact me (810 / 772-9246). Dad doesn't recognize me and is in a wheel chair, as he is very weak and at risk of injury. Sad note to share with you all, but thought I'd pass the news along.

### **From the T. Gies**

Andersons, Lardins, Kuhr's and Gies's met at the pub in Del Tura CC on Thursday March 3rd for a name that tune contest. The star players were John Lardin, Sherry Kuhr and Marian Anderson. They did really well, but it was decided that we needed a younger team member for songs in the 80's. Tim and Karlyn have been enjoying the wonderful weather in Florida. This was the perfect winter to spend down here. They are waiting for a visit from daughter Lisa and her family on March 10th, just before the Florida Tri-V Anniversary Party. Tracey, Nick and kids were down in early February and we all had a great time. Great grandmother and Great grandfather are enjoying extended time spent with grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Tim and Karlyn took the boat from Ft. Myers to Key West with Dushary's and some of their friends in late February. They toured the Hemmingway home and President Truman's Little White House. Saw a beautiful sunset and took the boat home the next day. It was nice but not a place they would want to go to again. Tim and Karlyn went to Sarasota to tour the circus museum. Learning just how the circus traveled from town to town each day. What they did was amazing and the miniature model was huge and really something to see. Speaking of Sarasota, Art Trachsel has sold his condo there and will be moving up to Michigan the end of February, where daughter Diane lives.

### **From the Dusharys**

Just an update on Joe. After having a second operation on his shin bone his leg is starting to heal. He still does not have any feeling in his quad muscle. He still goes to therapy 5 days a week and is able to get around with one crutch. It will still be a long recovery but he is making progress. Thanks to all for your prayers.

Diane Plocharczyk thought that this link might be interesting for those of us with aging parents. Copy and paste this link into your browser:

<https://news.fidelity.com/news/article.jhtml?guid=/FidelityFeeds/pages/managing-your-parents-money&topic=financial-planning&ccsource=email>

## Calendar of Events

### March

- 5<sup>th</sup> Pinochle
- 9<sup>th</sup> Men's Mtg.  
Walker's Speakeasy (6:30 pm)
- 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party  
Northville Downs (6 pm)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Wives Mtg.  
(1 pm)
- 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> Florida Anniversary Party

### March Birthdays

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Victoria Angelosanto
- 4<sup>th</sup> Terry Dunham & Barb Gies
- 7<sup>th</sup> Dave Reutenik
- 8<sup>th</sup> Bill Suchner & Dick Barnes
- 17<sup>th</sup> Marlene Wutka
- 19<sup>th</sup> Mike Lardin
- 20<sup>th</sup> Ellie Conolly
- 28<sup>th</sup> John Clingerman
- 29<sup>th</sup> Bill Trachsel (young)
- 30<sup>th</sup> Cal Cashman
- 31<sup>st</sup> Art Dushary & Geri Ruetenik

### March Anniversaries

- 3-22-03 Bill & Michelle Trachsel

### April

- 16<sup>th</sup> Final Pinochle  
Leon's of Wixom (6 pm)

### April Birthdays

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Judy Lardin
- 7<sup>th</sup> Curt Martin
- 13<sup>th</sup> Dorothy Suchner
- 16<sup>th</sup> AnneMarie Angelosanto
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Brian Trachsel
- 25<sup>th</sup> Marian Anderson
- 28<sup>th</sup> Steve Trachsel

### April Anniversaries

- 4-22-72 Brian & Jane Trachsel

## **MEMORIES FROM THE MARCH 2001 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH**

All of the TRI-V Family mourned the loss of Rubin Fischer. He passed away on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Our prayers go out to Joan and the children on their loss. Dave Ruetenik is still undergoing treatment for cancer of the tongue and is having both radiation and chemo. Our prayers also went out to Jack and Jacqui Schaefer on the passing of Jack's Father after a long illness on February 21<sup>st</sup>. TRI-V members and the extended family in need of our prayers included Gretchen Dunham, daughter to Terry and Sue Dunham, who spend time in the emergency room and after being sent home passed a kidney stone and also to Wilma Brenton who spend a few days in the hospital and had a good sized kidney stone extracted. There were articles on the annual winter Florida golf trip with Nick Angelosanto, John, Mike and Brian Lardin, Jack Schaefer, Lee Anderson and five friends. Vickie met Nick after the golf weekend to extend his Florida vacation for another week in the Clearwater Florida area. The Florida Anniversary Party was held on February 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> at the Comfort Inn at Weeki Wachee Florida and attended by 28 TRI-V members and their guest. The TRI-V Steak Roast was set for August 11<sup>th</sup> at the home of Fraser and Blondie Forsyth. The winter event was a wine tasting party held on February 10<sup>th</sup> at the home of Tim and Karlyn Gies. Final Pinochle was set for April 7<sup>th</sup> at Mama Mia Restaurant. May Open House was set for May 12<sup>th</sup>.



## MEMORIES FROM THE MARCH 2006 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

The March 2006 issue of TRI-V Umph was much kinder than the March 2001 issue of TRI-V Umph as there was no reports of anyone new suffering any ailments. There were trifle articles on the Mexican Rivera Cruise enjoyed by Cal and Jan Cashman the first part of February, Vickie Angelosanto and Ellie Connolly joining Nick and Terry for an extended vacation after the guys February winter golf weekend, Ken and Diane Plocharczyk trip to Florida to visit Art Trachsel and John, Judy and Mike Lardin' planned trip to Texas to visit son/brother Larry and family. Bill and Michelle Trachsel became proud parents for the first time on February 21<sup>st</sup> with the birth of their daughter Julie Elizabeth. Ryan Trachsel, son of Jeff Trachsel, enlisted in the Marines and was scheduled to leave for basic training on March 28<sup>th</sup>. Final Pinochle was scheduled for April 1<sup>st</sup> at the Golden Fox Facilities, Plymouth. May Open House was set for May 13<sup>th</sup> at the Jackal Golf Club, Mt. Brighton, the Wives Club Spring Dinner was set for May 18<sup>th</sup> at Chef's Cruisine, White Lake and the 2006 Wives Weekend set for August 11<sup>th</sup> thru 13<sup>th</sup> in St. Joe Michigan. Final Pinochle standings for the 2005-2006 pinochle season had Lynn Barnes coming in first place with 133.5 points, Peggy Hoffman in second placed with 133 points, Brian Trachsel in third place with 132.5 points and Sherry Kuhr in fourth place with 131 points. This wraps up another trip down memory lane. The Steak Roast held at the home of Blondie and Fraser Forsyth was the last of over 25 held at Fraser Acres. They were such gracious host all these years. The winter golf outing held in 2001 was the adventure of the extra suitcase at the hotel and the extra set of golf clubs at the golf course. Quite a story that can be told by Jack Schaefer and John Lardin. The Anniversary Greetings were almost none existing. Will it be like this in the 2011 issue that you have just read? As I type the memories each month there is less and less to reflect on. In you private life don't let this happen. Take the time to share you memories with your family and friends. As we mature the time seems to fly by faster and faster. Keep those memories alive. Until we see you in print next month, the Good Lord willing, take care of one another.