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President's Message

April was a good month; I understand that the games at Final Pinochle were very original and extremely fun. Hats off to the committee, I know that it can be very hard to come up with games for everyone to enjoy. We missed the first and second week of golf due to snow then rain we finally start in May. We have Open House this month hope to see you all there.

In Memory

Just a reminder: Joan Fischer's memorial is May 21 at Highland House on M59 from 1-3 with a luncheon and open bar.

Book Club

Book Club has been inactive for these months as most of the members are in Florida. Hopefully we will get back into action when everyone returns.

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 18th 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 10th to confirm. We are looking forward to seeing everyone so please mark your calendars for this special evening. Your committee: Jan Cashman Karlyn Gies

ATTENTION ALL TRI-V LADIES

Our summer weekend away has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 20th. We planned it around a dinner show in Frankenmuth. It will be a one night stay at the Bavarian Inn with a dinner show that evening. Cost of the "Lucy" show and dinner is \$45.00 a ticket. The room price at the Bavarian Inn is \$87.69 with taxes. Often we share rooms as we will have two queen beds in each room. Tickets for the show have already been purchased so it is necessary to have an accurate number if more tickets should be needed. This outing is open to anyone and will create some nice memories. Please contact Ellie 248-473-8414 or Jacqui 248-349-7359 to be sure to have your ticket. This will be a closed event shortly after this news letter is out. Thanks and a wonderful spring to you all.

FOR ALL MOTHERS AND GRANDMOTHERS ON MOTHERS DAY

We have printed this before but feel it is worth repeating with all the new Mothers we have in TRI-V the last couple of years.

... And God Created A Mother

When the Good Lord was creating mothers, he was into his sixth day of overtime when the angel appeared and said "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one...Six pairs of hands? No Way!" "It's not the hands that are causing me problems," said the Lord. "It's the three pairs of eyes...one pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, "What are u kids doing in there?...Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know. And, of course, the ones here in the front that can look at a child who goofs up and says, "I understand and I love you." without so much as uttering a word..." The angel circled the model very slowly "It's too soft," she sighed. "But tough!" said the Lord excitedly. You cannot imagine what this mother can do or endure. "Can it think?" "Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise and dream," said the Creator. Finally the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek. "There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told you, you were trying to put too much into the model." "It's not a leak," said the Lord. "It's a tear." "What's it for?" "It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness and pride." "You're a genius," said the angel. The Lord looked somber. "I didn't put it there."

Final Pinochle - 2011

Final Pinochle

On Saturday April 16th, twenty-five of the faithful gathered at Leon's of Wixom for Final Pinochle. True to our tradition, there was no pinochle played at this event. In fact, we didn't play any card games. After dinner and the distribution of prize money, the group broke up into five teams. Each team then selected a team name and squared off in a competition inspired by the TV show Minute-To-Win-It. The teams each tested their skills at the eight games which were set up around the dining room. They were given one minute to complete each game, but if they could not complete it in 60 seconds, they were given two more tries. The total times for each team/event were recorded with the maximum time being 180 seconds. Each game was quite unique and required skill, steady nerves, and some occasional good fortune. Below is a summary of the results of the games. Prizes (lottery tickets) were given to the team with the best score for each event and for the best overall score.

I would like to thank Brian & Jane Trachsel and Jack & Jacqui Schaefer for all the effort they put into making this a fun evening. Their creativity and hard work paid off with a fun and unique event.

The Absentee Chairman: Bob Kuhr

Results of Minute-T0-Win-It Contest

Team Name & Team Members	Get Forked	Breakfast Scramble	The Nut Stacker	Coffee Topper	Go The Distance	A Bit Dicey	Triple Pong	Speed Eraser	Total Time
Awesome Sauce Belinda/Blondie/Ken/Mike	95	180	53	180	37	100	118	161	924
No Sweat George/Kate/Romas/Vickie	3	180	180	172	29	38	42	17	661
T2K2 Karen/Kim/Terry/Tim	180	100	54	104	34	81	46	105	704
Team Winning Dave/Karlyn/Rob	180	102	50	57	150	26	15	12	592
J PEN Jeff/Peggy/Ellie/Nick	32	180	180	45	55	180	119	80	871

Shaded scores indicate best times.

The final pinochle standings:

2010-11 TRI-V PINOCHLE STANDINGS

TOTAL Double Round
POINTS Pinochle House

	S = Sub \$ = Paid Point \$						TOTAL POINTS	Double Pinochle	Round House
	W = tie for second			Z = tie for fourth					
	10/2/2010	11/6/2010	12/4/2010	1/8/2011	2/5/2011	3/5/2011			
X = 2 Way tie for Third									
V = 3 Way tie for First									
\$ = Paid Points									
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 MONEYS ARE PAID BY MONTHLY PLAYERS

\$\$ MEANS POINT MONEYS ARE PAID BY SUBSTITUTES

S MEANS SUBSTITUES - NO POINT MONEY

Tri V Children's Easter Party

The Tri V children's Easter party was held from 10:00am to 12:00pm on Saturday April 23rd at the Fairlane Woods apartment clubhouse in Dearborn. There were 5 families with 9 kids and 9 adults. The turnout was small but the kids had a great time and the weather was very nice with lots of sun although rain the previous night kept most of the activities on the very large deck and pathway behind the club house. First the kids made paper bag puppets while the eggs were hidden outside on the deck. After a break for a snack of donuts, grapes, bananas and oranges juice or water the 9 eager egg hunter made quick work of finding the 120 plastic eggs filled with some Easter treats. The children were each given a bag with more Easter treats along with bubbles and after checking out their goodies everyone went back outside where they blew bubbles then played, Simon says, red light green light and a few other games. Jason led a robust game of basketball using the plastic eggs throwing them into a wicker basket. Luckily the kids didn't hurt Jason too much. It was great to watch the kids play together, with the older kids helping the younger ones find eggs and play the games. This simple activity is one of the reasons Tri V has lasted so long as these kids are making friendships that can lead them into wanting to become the future members. I want to thank Jason for getting the clubhouse and leading the activities and all the adults that pitched in to help hide eggs and keep everything moving smoothly.
Your Committee Jay Trachsel and Jason Osborn

Tri-V Steak Roast

Sunday August 28, 2011

Gunnar Mettala Park, 645 Mettala Drive, Wixom, Michigan (entrance is on Maple Rd.) Dinner will be served at 4:00. Come earlier the committee will be there

Trifles

From the J. Lardins

Wednesday, May 18th, will find Judy and John Lardin making a trip to Corpus Christi Texas and returning to Michigan on Monday, May 23rd. They will celebrate Christine's kindergarten graduation along with her recital and cheer leading competition. They have not been to Texas since the beginning of last December and are looking to seeing Larry, Kim, Christine and Jacob. Mike, Bev, Alyssa and Judy Lardin spent Easter weekend in Illinois with Judy's Mom. There were 12 and her Mom's house for dinner and Judy felt she had to go along to help her Mom out with the dinner. Her Mom continues to do as well as expected. She has adjusted to her limitations and we can ask for no more than your prayers. This was followed by a busy week for Judy and John with grandson, Nick making his first communion on Saturday, April 30th, followed by granddaughter Bell, daughter of Brian and Gina, making her first communion on Saturday, May 7th, followed by celebrating Bev Lardin and grandson

Bens birthday also on the 7th. In between that Judy was busy babysitting as well as running to help finalize all of the events.

From Sue Liskiewicz(Earl Tishler's daughter)

Dad is out of the Skilled Care facility at Oakwood Common. He was unable to return to the assisted living area and is now a resident in the Alzheimer / Dementia unit. He no longer has a phone. The address is:
16351 Rotunda Drive
Apt. #61
Dearborn, Michigan 48120

Dad seems to be doing fine. His stroke has compromised his life and it is taking time for this adjustment. We (all) are taking one day at a time and doing our best. Thanks for you concern. Anyone wanting further information can contact me (810 772-9246) or email me suelisk@comcast.net.

From Art Trachsel and the Plocharczyks

After one sale fell through on Art's condo in Sarasota, another buyer made an offer and the closing took place on April 12th. Diane drove down to Art's in early March to help with several projects that needed to be done and she and Art were glad to be able to visit with TriV during the Florida anniversary party. A few days before the actual closing, Diane and Art pre-signed the closing documents and drove back to Michigan together. They were greeted with warm weather only to see it turn into typical Michigan spring - cold, wet and snowy! Art is currently staying at Ken and Diane's in Gladwin until there is an opening at a retirement place in Gladwin. He no longer has access to WebTV but can receive emails via Ken and Diane's email dplocharczyk@ejourney.com as well as phone calls at 989-426-8310. While Diane and Art were busy in Florida, Ken was in Gladwin supervising the installation of new windows in their relatively new home. It was a long battle against the builder to get them replaced, but with the help of an attorney, and by order of a judge, the new windows were installed by another firm and paid for by the builder. Sometimes there is justice!

From the Macksons

Dominic Mackson (son of John and Robyn) had his tonsils and adenoids removed April 19th. Everything went very well and as of this report is back to normal. The surgery was only 15 minutes and for a week he got to eat as many popsicles and surplees he wanted. John Mackson was voted Coach of the Year by the News Herald for his boy's basketball season. Although the team did not repeat as Downriver League champs, they did win their district.

Calendar of Events

May

- 2nd Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 9th Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 14th May Open House
- 16th Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 18th Wives Dinner
Bayside Grill (5:30 pm)

June

- 6th Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 13th Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 15th Wives Club
Karlyn Gies 7 pm
- 20th Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)
- 27th Men's Golf

23rd Men's Golf
Hickory Hills (4:30 pm)

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May Birthdays

1st Nick Angelosanto &
Jerry Gies
6th Onallee Trachsel
7th Bev Lardin
8th Karlyn Gies &
Jan Cashman
14th Sherry Steinhauer
18th Susanne Martin
22nd Donna Clingerman
23rd Liz Trachsel
24th Dave Burke &
Sue Dunham

June Birthdays

2nd Jim Delanoy
8th Marilyn Myers
12th Jay Trachsel
14th Virginia Buckley

May Anniversaries

5-9-69 Ken & Kate Stress
5-11-02 Geoff & Sherry Steinhauer
5-12-06 Matt & Christine Hoffman
5-14-71 Nick & Victoria Angelosanto
5-24-09 Dave & Kim Burke

June Anniversaries

6-4-94 Ken & Diane Plocharczyk
6-5-48 Bill & Shirley Suchner
6-14-02 Dion & AnnMarie Angelosanto
6-21-08 Mike & Bev Lardin
6-22-68 Lee & Marion Anderson
6-23-01 John & Robyn Mackson
6-29-63 John & Judy Lardin &
Tom & Bonnie Untener

MEMORIES FROM THE MAY 2001 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

The month of May once again had members of the TRI-V Family in need of our prayers. Dave Ruetenik came home from Florida for a checkup and received bad news. He underwent a 12 hour surgery the middle of May for removal of a portion of the tongue and some lymph nodes and continued to be fed by tube directly to the stomach. Peg Wendt underwent surgery in early May to repair four stress fractures and a compressed vertebra. The surgery has a 70% success rate.

Our congratulations went out to Robyn Angelosanto receiving her teaching degree from Michigan State and to Michael Trachsel receiving his degree in Computer Science from Oakland University. Also to Tracey Gies who was receiving her degree in Marketing and Logistics from Central Michigan. We also had John Mackson who was to become the husband of Robyn Angelosanto and a TRI-V Club member receiving his degree in Science. Terry Dunham completed a 10k walk in Indiana while Sue was a volunteer at the Visteon sponsored checkpoint and handed out water and apples to the 400 participants. Sue followed that with a trip to New York to spend the Mother's Day week with her Mom and sister while Jack and Jacquie Schaefer were making frequent trips to Bloomington Indiana helping son, Mark, with his new house. There was an article welcoming John Clingerman as a new prospective to the Club. Since there was no initiation for June a Stag Social was scheduled June 1st at Bogie Lake Golf Club with golf, dinner and socializing after and the TRI-V Picnic was set for July 1st at Mayberry

State Park. Art and Kathy Dushary announced the birth of their grandson, Bradley Joseph O'Connor born on May 3rd. Art and Kathy were also breaking ground on their new home on May 8th.

MEMORIES FROM THE MAY 2006 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

Our prayers went out to the Little Family on the passing of Mary Ann Little, spouse of TRI-V Member, Bill, on her passing the end of April. Bill and Mary Ann moved to Chicago and ran a successful business before Bill's passing. She spent her last 20 years in Elk Rapids Michigan. Our prayers were also needed for Art Trachsel who received a pacemaker the first part of May to regulate his heart rhythm and Lynne Barnes who underwent hernia surgery on May 11th and also to Karlyn Gies who continued to struggling with a painful knee though she was not ready to join the knee surgery just yet. Dorothy Richeson was suffering some discomfort from a fall. Though only badly bruised she spend three days in the hospital and then transferred to a rehab center where she is receiving therapy to help with her balance and strength for walking. Our congratulations went out to Matt Hoffman and his pending marriage to Christina in Mexico and to Judy Lardin on her retirement from Ford Motor Company on May 1st. Jay and Liz Trachsel were traveling to Las Vegas the first week of May while Jeff Trachsel and Karen Thrift were traveling to North Fort Myers Florida for 12 days then to Las Vegas to attend the wedding of Karen's oldest daughter and then to South Carolina for the graduation of Ryan Trachsel from Marine Boot Camp. John and Donna Clingerman were traveling the South East looking for the perfect retirement area and finally Vickie Angelosanto was flying out to Arizona for a quick visit with her sisters the middle of May and returning with her Mom to spend the summer. The Initiation Dinner of Jerry Gies was scheduled for Friday, June 9th at Walker's Speakeasy on Beech Daily Road, Dearborn Heights with golf planned earlier in the day at Gateway Golf Club in Romulus. The TRI-V Picnic was set for Sunday, June 25th at Gunnar Mettalia Park, Wixom. The Girl's Weekend was set for August 11th – 13th in St. Joseph Mi. Since we will not have a Club meeting until the fall let's hope that all Chairmen of Club Events will get the information of the event as well as the follow up article when the event is completed to share with fellow Club members. Keep it mind that it is not the Editors responsibility to "beg" for your article. It was five years ago that Lee and Marian Anderson purchased their Florida Home in Ft. Myers. We thank the "Man" upstairs for his safe keeping of Ryan Trachsel with his time in the United States Marine Corp. Though Mothers Day will have passed by the time this issue of TRI-V Umph is read there is still time to share some Mothers Day memories with each other. This wraps another trip down memory lane. Take care of one another; look after each other until we see you in print next month the Good Lord willing.