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### **President's Message**

August and summers last month. The golf league is almost over, good luck to whomever makes it to play for the championship. I would like to congratulate the committee on another great picnic, the kids looked like they had fun playing the games and in the splash park. Great job. This month is Final Golf weekend Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> I hope to see you there. Also, a quick reminder that September 12<sup>th</sup> will be the next meeting.

### **In Memory**

BILL SUCHNER-- March 8.1923 - July 13.2012



Bill was born in 1923 in Detroit, Mi. He had one brother, Ray who started the Tri-V Club. Graduated from Cooley High School in 1942. He worked briefly for Cadillac Motor before he joined the Navy Oct. of 42 - He spent three years on active duty deployed in the South Pacific as an aircraft mechanic - later on as a flight engineer on Navy transports - stayed in the reserves for 30 years. After the war he work in wholesale meats for his father who ran the business - and then for Echrich Meat Co. as a driver salesman. He ended up in the Post Office as a mail carrier and retired in 1985. Then headed for Florida and became a "snowbird" spending 6 months there and six month in Michigan. He met his wife, Shirley, on a cruise on the Great Lakes in 1947 and they were married June 1948. Bill loved to golf, play bridge, and the Tri-V Club. He died Friday July 13th at home with his loved ones by his side. We had Hospice the last week and can't say enough about how wonderful they were. If you plan on attending the funeral please let Shirley know. Services will be at Great Lakes Military Cemetery, Holly Mi. on August 17th -

## **Tri-V Wives Club**

All women of Tri-V are invited to the following meetings. The meetings are held at member's homes once a month with the exception of the May dinner, July swim, and Christmas dinner. We have a short meeting and then play three rounds of Tri-V pinochle. The meetings start at 7:00 pm and we are usually done between 9:30 and 10:00 pm.

The next wives' meeting is Wednesday, Aug. 15 at the home of Barb Gies at 7:00 pm.  
All women invited.

## **Book Club**

The next book club discussion will be on August 13 at the home of Sherry Kuhr at 7:00 p.m.  
Book that we will be discussing is "The Dovekeepers" by Alice Hoffman.

Other books suggested are:

"Defending Jacob" by William Landay

"Mudbound" by Hillary Jordan

"The Tailor of Panama" by John le Carre

"Change of Heart" by Jodi Picoult

"Stepping on the Cracks" by Mary Downing Hahn

I also would recommend "The Next Always" by Nora Roberts. It though is Book One of the Inn Boonsboro Trilogy. Second book just came out in May of 2012.

## **Annual Tri-V Family Picnic**

The picnic was a little different this year as we had no games planned for the adults as we had the picnic at Clintwood Water Spray Park in Clarkston Mi. We had a great meal Again and I thank the wives for a great assortment of foods. The kids than enjoyed the spray park and the adults enjoyed watching them. After the spray park we had a few games and prizes for the kids and then back to the water park. We had 36 adults and 18 kids attend. I would like to thank Brian, Jane, Jay, Liz and Karen for helping set up and run the games. We had 2 new members to be. Ryan Trachsel and his future father in law Dale Horst.

Committee

Jeff Trachsel

Brian Trachsel

Jay Trachsel

## **Steak Roast**

The Steak Roast will be held on Saturday August 11, 2012 at the Gunnar Mettal Park in Wixom. Guests can arrive any time after 3:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at approximately 4:30 p.m. (earlier than previously published). Please remember to bring your own drinks, place settings, cups, and chairs.

After dinner we will be playing Corn Hole (aka Beanbag Toss).

Please notify Tim Gies ASAP if you are planning to attend or not.

Oh, I forgot to mention that we will be serving **STEAK!**

## **Final Golf**

Final Golf this year will be August 17th - 19th. We will once again be staying at Ray's Retreat. At this point the plan is to play Marsh Ridge, The Pines, and Wilderness Valley. We will be teeing off between 3:30 NS 4:15 on the first day of the golf outing which should allow those coming from the memorial for Bill Suchner more time to make it up. We will also be having dinner at the course that night so that we don't have to rush to Rays'.

## **Ladies Getaway** **SEPTEMBER 6, 7, 8**

All the ladies of TRI-V are invited to be a part of the get-a-way weekend In September. We will be going to the Holly, Hartland and Fenton areas For some fun, adventure and good times together. We will be going to the Tyme Well Spent Tea House in Hartland for a luncheon, touring the beautiful gardens of Garden Park in Holly, enjoying The lovely surroundings of the Heavenly Scent Herb Farm and The Weed Lady plus several other delicious dining places in the area. We will be staying at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites in Fenton which has a beautiful heated pool and relaxing jacuzzi. Please put these dates on your calendar for September and plan to get away for a few days with your friends. I will reserve rooms at the hotel now but ask that you call the Holiday Inn At 810-714-7171 to put them in your name NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup>. There are rooms with two queens beds @ \$94.90 per night (tax included) which is a good rate for those who wish to share. PLEASE LET US KNOW BY AUGUST 1<sup>st</sup> IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO COME. THANKS.  
Your committee, Jan Cashman 248-669-9209 Peg Hoffman 248-349-37

## **Trifles**

### **From the J. Lardins**

The end of July and first part of August has been a busy month for the Lardins, especially Judy. The health of Judy's Mom has continued to doctorate. Judy spent over a week with her the end of June and again in July. The latest came on August 7<sup>th</sup> when she received a call that her Mom was having more difficult breathing. Mom asked to have Judy and here sister there with her. Judy immediately left for IL and as of this writing things are still questionable about Mom's health. Larry and family are due to visit here on August 12<sup>th</sup> and returning to Texas on August 20<sup>th</sup>. Not knowing how Mom will be the plan is for John to try to stay here and when Larry arrives on Sunday to take off directly for IL. Before

all this happened there were friends of Judy and John that have a condo in the same complex in FL where Judy and John have gone for the winter. Cathy and Bill were here for the Teachers Convention at Cobo Hall they were invited to spend a few days with Judy and John since they had never been to Detroit. The convention ended on Mon, July 30<sup>th</sup>, and their return flight to New York was set for Sun, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>. Their flight was delayed for two hours and then cancelled and they could not get out until Tue, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>. John made a few phone calls and they were able to get out on Mon. instead of Tue. John says the hardest part was they were both into the Olympics and stayed up every night until midnight watching the broadcast and not wanting to know ahead of time who won each event of the day. John and Judy are hoping that things will settle down after Larry's return to Texas though things are still up in the air with her Mom.

## Calendar of Events

### August

6<sup>th</sup> Men's Golf  
Hickory Hills  
11<sup>th</sup> Steak Roast  
Gunnar Mettal Park (3pm)  
13<sup>th</sup> Men's Golf  
Hickory Hills  
17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Men's Final Golf

### August Birthdays

KATHIE DUSHARY  
6<sup>th</sup> John Lardin  
9<sup>th</sup> Matt VanHollenbeke  
21<sup>st</sup> Katie Stress  
28<sup>th</sup> John Mackson  
29<sup>th</sup> Peg Hoffman

### August Anniversaries

Liz Trachsel  
8-4-09 Steve & Amber Trachsel  
8-12-78 Jerry & Barb Gies  
8-27-71 Terry & Sue Dunham  
8-31-51 Dick & Joyce Barnes

### September

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Ladies Getaway  
12<sup>th</sup> Men's Mtg.  
Walker's Speakeasy(7pm)

### September Birthdays

8<sup>TH</sup> JOYCE BARNES  
9<sup>th</sup> Shirley Suchner  
12<sup>th</sup> Lee Anderson  
16<sup>th</sup> Art Trachsel  
26<sup>th</sup> Jane Trachsel &  
Matt Hoffman

2<sup>ND</sup>

### September Anniversaries 8-4-72 Jay &

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

## **MEMORIES FROM THE AUGUST 2002 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH**

We continue to remember Jim DeLanoy in our prayers as he continued to suffer from sciatica nerve problems that forced him to make a one week trip to Michigan for the summer instead of spending a couple of months. Since returning to Florida Peg Wendt has had trouble with shortness of breath. She was diagnosed as having a leaky heart valve and a closed valve. There was a series reinstated in the

UmpH entitled "So You Might Know Them Better." The first two were from Ray and Bill Suchner. Those traveling included Judy and John Lardin attending a wedding in Cape Cod and Dottie Wagner flew to Philadelphia to attend a family wedding and reunion. Art and Lorraine Trachsel were flying to Gulfport MS the first part of September to celebrate Lorraine's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday while Lu and Dottie Wagner were flying out of Orlando to Vancouver the middle of September for a cruise to Hawaii. Susie Dunham will be in town the first part of August and will join the ladies on the trip to Canada while Terry will drive up later in the month on business. The first of August found Mike Lardin moving to his new position of night maintenance supervisor at the new High School in Plymouth/Canton scheduled to open later this month. Judy Lardin was sporting a new look as she started wearing contact lens after wearing glasses all her life. John and Robyn Mackson have bought their first home and Robyn had been rehired at Livonia Stevenson High School while Judy and John Lardin were preparing to celebrate the birth of their first grandchild. There was an article on the Men's Stag set for Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at Rotary Park in Livonia for a softball game and socializing. The TRI-V Family Picnic was held at Rotary Park in Livonia with 80 members of TRI-V and their family in attendance.

### **MEMORIES FROM THE AUGUST 2007 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH**

On July 29<sup>th</sup> we lost Ginny Massoll, beloved wife of Bud for 68 years. Our prayers go out to Bud, children and grandchildren. Kathie and Art Dushary were hosting the Wendt Family at their home with 16 sleeping wherever around the house. A side note that their home was now on the market. Karlyn Gies and her daughter, Tracey, and granddaughter, Natalya, traveled to Pennsylvania to visit with Lisa and the newest addition, little Andrew, the first part of July. The end of July found the Kuhrs, Clingermans and Gies' traveling to Houghton Lake for the weekend. The Trachsel family again spent a week together at an Ohio State Park the week after July 4<sup>th</sup>. The travel plans for Judy and John Lardin included trips to the west side of the State for dinner with four of John's high school buddies then Judy making a trip to IL to visit her Mom and attend her 45<sup>th</sup> class reunion while John is at final golf then upon their return a trip to Texas to visit Larry and family. John and Robyn Mackson packed up their two babies and took the train to New York City to do lots of site seeing and taking in a ball game. Jack and Jacqui Schaefer missed the steak Roast as they were in Indiana to work on the farm that has been in their family for over 150 years. Mike Lardin announced his engagement to Bev Pritchard while Jack and Jacqui Schaefer were marrying off their last child in September. It looks like 2007 was the last year for the "Annual" winter get away for Nick, John, Cal and other TRI-Vers and friends after over 20 years. It all started when the airlines were de-regulated and the three of them flew to AZ in Jan. to play golf. We had as few as six and as many as 16 making the annual trip with the highlight being the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary when the wives join us for a week. This wraps up another trip down Memory Lane. Judy Lardins new look of no glasses lasted for almost 9 years as she is back in glasses and the lake front house that Art and Kathie Dushary had for sale in 2007 finally sold in 2012. We are now in the ending part of summer as our children and grandchildren will be returning to school. Are there any special things that happened this summer that will be a memory in the future? Maybe put together some pictures and write a little story to share in the future when they are all older to see if they remember. Don't let your memories slip away. Until we see you next month, the Good Lord willing, take care of one another.



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