

Tri-V Umph January 2013

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President's Message

Happy New Year Tri-v. 2012 was a great year but for Kali and I 2013 is gonna be the best. The Children's Christmas Party was a great time. Man do we have alot of Tri-v children these days. Great job to Nick Angelosanto. We have the meeting on the 9th and the council party on the 19th. Have a great January

TRI-V ELECTION

At the February we will be nominating members for the office of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. At the March meeting we will be electing members to these offices as well as three council seats. Those unable to attend the February meeting may submit their list of nominees to the election committee prior to the meeting. Those unable to attend the March meeting may request an absentee ballot from the election committee. Note: THE ABSENTEE BALLOT MUST BE REQUESTED. IT WILL NOT BE AUTOMATICALLY SENT. Those elected will serve two year terms. To be nominated and elected a Club Member must be on active status. To nominate and vote a members status must be active or local in-active. As per our Club By-Laws and Club Constitution Club Members will be furnished a history of the last five years of officers and a list of active members. The before mentioned list are included in the newsletter. Please study, save and bring with you to the February meeting.

ELECTION COMMITTEE Cal Cashman, Chairman Romas Bliudzius, Ken Stress

Tri-V Wives Xmas Luncheon

On Saturday, December 16, Tri-V women enjoyed lunch at Rocky's in Northville. After lunch a gift exchange was held; then we sang the "Twlelve Days of Christmas". Prior to singing Sherry Kuhr read an article explaining the Catholic Church version of the song—was very interesting. The women who attended were Jan Cashman, Ellie Connolly, Dolores McMillan, Sherry Kuhr, Peg Hoffman, Jane Trachsel, Marian Anderson, Marilyn Myers, Amber Trachsel, Kim Burke, Annemarie Angelosanto, Christine Hoffman, Kristin Martinisi, Jacqui Schaefer, Victoria Angelosanto and Judy Lardin. We

enjoyed having the younger members join us for the afternoon during this hectic time of year. All had a good time eating, socializing, singing, and catching up with one another.

Committee
Victoria Angelosanto
Judy Lardin

Book Club

The next Book Club discussion will be held on Jan. 21, 2013 at the home of Sherry Kuhr at 7:00 p.m. Book to be discussed is "Defending Jacob" by William Landay.

Pinochle

February Schedule

HOST: Connolly

Schaefer
Cashman
N. Angelosanto
M. Trachsel
Romas/???
J.Trachsel
B.Trachsel
Stress
Kuhr

January Pinochle Scores

The January pinochle scores are not ready to publish, as the lucky players in Florida will not be playing, until the second Saturday in January. Karen has graciously agreed to send the scores electronically once the Florida results are reported. Check your email the beginning of the third week in January.

Committee Brian Trachsel, Ken Stress

Pinochle at the Angelosanto's home

Vickie and I were honored to have the Cashman, Connolly, Lardin couples and Romas Bliudzius and Robyn Mackson for pinochle. Cards started earlier at 6:00, as John & Judy were leaving in the early hours Sunday morning for Florida. In fact, much of the talk revolved around Florida. We remember the senior members having the same conversations years ago. Ahhh, the trek begins. Cards were good for Robyn and John with 27 ½ each and I came in second with 22 ½, Judy was close behind with 22. The rest dropped down to 12 ½ to 16 ½. Someone asked Vickie how she planned to pick just one of her scores, to drop since they were all pretty low. She laughed and said it's a good thing she still likes

playing the game. Food as always was great. We had just the right amount. I got a fancy new wine opener for Christmas and didn't get to use it. I wasn't disappointed, but I think Vickie was. At this rate it won't need charging for another three years. Nick Angelosanto

Council Party

The Tri-V Council party will be held at the Detroit Institute of Arts on Saturday, January 19th. We will meet at the museum at 3:00 at the John R. entrance. Our visit will include a viewing of the special Faberge collection as well as access to the entire museum collection. Following the museum trip we will meet for dinner at The Traffic Jam and Snug restaurant which is located at 511 W. Canfield in Midtown Detroit (less than a mile from the museum). A sign up sheet will be passed around at the December meeting. If you are not at the December meeting, but would like to attend the council party, please call Bill at 734-658-7115 on or before January 3rd so we can get final counts to the DIA and the restaurant.

Children's Xmas Party

On Sunday Dec. 16, 41 adults and 23 children attended the children's Christmas Party at Garden City Straight Farmhouse Museum. It appears that Tri-V is again young and growing. The area was very cozy, but adequate. We took an idea from years past and had each family bring a dozen cookies. This worked out extremely well, as everyone was able to eat their full from the great assortment. Later bags were passed out, so everyone could take a selection of treats home. Pizza was served and everyone had plenty to eat. The children did crafts and made ornaments before lunch then sat on the inside stairway singing carols calling Santa. The singing was expertly led by Jane Trachsel. As expected Santa was a big hit. He passed out gifts and flavored candy canes. Amazingly there wasn't a peppermint candy cane in the lot. It was suggested that the adults take part in an ugly Christmas sweater contest. Since everyone didn't know about the contest Judy Lardin, and Matt and Kali VanHollebeke were the only three wearing "ugly" sweaters. Judy won the prize, but rumor has it that Matt and Kali did the voting. Next year's committee has decided to try this contest again, so start your shopping now. We'll be looking for an atrocious sweater and promise a worthy prize.

Special thanks to Jay Trachsel who stepped in and helped the committee.

Matt VanHollebeke, Bill Trachsel, and chairman, Nick Angelosanto

Trifles

From the J. Lardins

As you read this Judy and John Lardin will have already arrived in Ft. Myers FL. They survived the trip to Corpus Christi TX in December. The trip was much better than the trip in October was. The temp was in the high 80s when they arrived and Larry and John planned to play a round of golf on the following Monday. Well Sunday afternoon the temp was in the mid-80s and as they prepared to leave on Monday to play a round of golf the temp was a high of 45 with 30 plus mph winds. Then ended up going to breakfast. We are looking forward to seeing all the friends we have made at the condo as well as the snowbirds from TRI-V that are there or will be coming in the next months. See everyone in the spring.

From the Plocharczyks

On behalf of my father, Art Trachsel, I'd like to thank all who sent cards recently to Dad. Whether it was a simple hello - thinking about you, Thanksgiving, or Christmas card, he really enjoys getting them. As many of you know, he fell in his apartment December 14th and severely scraped his left upper arm. Besides a trip to the ER, he's had a home healthcare nurse coming to his apartment several times a week to inspect the wound and change the dressing. It's taken over a month, but am pleased to say it's almost healed. In addition, he is getting physical therapy to help with balance and strength issues.

From the Dusharys

Merry Christmas!!

Kathie had her six week checkup and got a clean bill of health from the oncologist! She just has to have semi-annual checkups for the next two years. She feels fine. On the other hand I have a new problem. We got the results back from the biopsy and I do have kidney cancer. This is weird because my family has heart problems, not cancer. And since my family doesn't have a history of cancer, my kidney cancer is different. The cancer cells show up in the "gathering area" in the lower part of the right kidney and in the upper part of the tube running from the kidney to the bladder. So the kidney and the tube will be removed sometime in January. The good news is that the cancer is contained and the surgery should be the only treatment needed; not counting the quarterly bladder checkups for I don't know how long. Last spring I had an appendectomy and lost eight pounds. I wonder what a kidney will be worth? The urologist did tell me to lose ten pounds so his instruments wouldn't dull too much getting through all that fat. Happy New Year!! Art

Calendar of Events

<u>January</u>

5th Pinochle 9th Men's Mtg. Walker's Speakeasy (6:30pm) 19th Council Party DIA (3pm) 21st Book Club Sherry Kuhr(7pm)

February

2nd Pinochle 13th Men's Mtg. Walker's Speakeasy (6:30pm)

January Birthdays

2nd George Hoffman 17th Diane Plocharczyk 23rd Geoff Steinhauer 27th Bob Kuhr 30th Jack Schaefer

February Birthdays

1st Eric Hoffman 2nd Ken Stress 7th Romas Bliudzius 9th Tim Gies 11th Amber Trachsel 13th Lynne Barnes 22nd Tom Untener 23rd Bonnie Untener 24th Sherry Kuhr 26th Esther Chamberlin 28th Helene Ryan 1-3-75 Tim & Karlyn Gies

None

MEMORIES FROM THE JANUARY 2003 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

We continue to remember in our prayers Lorraine Trachsel. She recently completed her 15 radiation treatments and was expected to start chemo treatments in early January. Nap Ayotte continues to doing well, tooling around the nursing home in his wheel chair and to Marian and Lee Anderson who were for NY for funeral services for Marian's mother. We also prayed for Marian and Lee's newest grandson who was born to son Andy on Dec. 30th and was discovered he had a collapsed lung and was in serious condition. TRI-V Members traveling or having out of town guest included Donna and John Clingerman in Arizona, Gretchen Dunham and Aunt Clara visiting Susie and Terry Dunham in TN, Sophia Ayotte visiting daughter in Syracuse NY and Cy and Dorothy Richeson having a weeklong visit from their son Dave and his 19 year old daughter. The TRI-V Wives Christmas Dinner was held at the home of Sherry Kuhr on Dec. 18th and was well attended. Final Pinochle was set for April 12th at the Maples in Novi and the TRI-V Wives weekend was set for the weekend of Aug. 8th thru the 10th at St. Joe MI. Pinochle standings through Dec. play had Brian Trachsel in first place with 77.5 points, Jane Trachsel in second with 76 points and Lou Koewler in third place with 72.5 points.

MEMORIES FROM THE JANUARY 2008 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

All TRI-V Members seemed to be in pretty good health though there are a few of the extended family we remembered in our prayers. We had Kirk Trachsel, son of Art and sister of Diane Plocharczyk, who was still recovering from his accident that it seems happened ages ago and to Jamie Forsyth, granddaughter of Blondie, who had successful kidney and pancreas transplant surgery. Newest retirees were Bob Kuhr on Dec. 21st and Art Dushary the end of Jan. Upon Art's retirement they have moved to their Florida home in Ocala, Cal Cashman's daughter, Kelly and her family came up from Franklin TN to spend the Christmas Holidays with Cal and Jan. Judy and John Lardin shared their whirlwind trip to IL and Branson MS over the Thanksgiving Holiday with her Mom. The TRI-V Anniversary Party was scheduled for March 15th at the Naples, Novi and the Florida Anniversary Party was scheduled for early March at the Roaring 20s in Ellenton FL. Pinochle standings through Jan. play had Jeff Trachsel in first place with 96.5 points, Brian Trachsel in second place with 91.5 points and Dion Angelosanto in third place with 88 points. This wraps up another trip down memory lane. As you can see there was not a lot to report in either issue though they were 10 years apart. If memory services the pinochle standings for 2003 did not mention Jane Trachsel at all. Upon further checking she was buried down in eighth place. She must have had John Lardin for a partner the first four months of play to be that low. The pinochle standings for 2003 listed 44 players and in 2008 45 players. The pinochle standings for Dec. 2012 have 31 people listed and this includes the "snow birds" that are playing in FL and their scores counting. If you eliminate them we barely have enough to have one house to host. Hopefully this will eventually reverse. Hoping that all had a wonderful and Merry Christmas and the New Year is better for you than 2012 was. With Christmas just ending not is the time to share that special moment that happened over the Holiday. These will become our memories to share in future years. Don't let them get lost. Make a little note if you are afraid that you might forget. These memories are precious to all. Next three months you will be receiving the Memories from FL and for those still here in the North Country, please stay warm. Until we see you in print next month, the Good Lord willing, take care of one another.

Tri-V Committee Assignments for 2013

Month	Event/Committee	Budgeted	Budget '11	Chairman	Committee
J	Council Party	X	\$200	Vice President	Council
М	Family Event	х	\$140	Matt H.	Jeff T. Ryan T. Dale H.
А	Final Pinochle	x	\$100	Bob K.	Romas B. Geoff S. Ken S.
М	Open house			Nick A.	Cal C. Jack S.
J	Initiation/ Stag			Brian T.	Tim G.
J	Anniversary Party	х	\$500	Steve T.	Lee A. Jack S. John M. Jay T.
J	Picnic	х	\$200	Terry C.	Brett B. John L. Dave B.
А	Steak Roast	х	\$250	Tim G.	Jerry G. John M. Eric H. George H.
А	Final Golf			Jeff T.	Steve T. Geoff S. John L.
0	October Stag	Х	\$50	Dave B.	Jack S. Ken S.
N	November Social	х	\$100	Cal C.	Bob. K. Romas B.
D	Children's Christmas Party	х	\$150	Nick A.	Jay T. Matt H. Brian T.
*	Florida Anniversary				
*	Newsletter	Χ	\$400	Jeff T.	John L.
*	Pinochle		-	Ken S.	Brian T.
*	Golf		-	Jay T.	Dave B.
*	Bowling/Other Nominations		-	Steve T. Cal C.	Jeff T. Romas B. Ken S.
*	Membership		-	Jay T.	Bob K.
*	Property		-	George H.	
*	Audit		-	John M.	Brian T.

ACTIVE MEMBERS SERVED AS OFFICERS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS 2012

NAME	PRES.	VICE-PRES.	TRES.	SEC.	COUNCIL	TOTAL
Angelosanto, Dion				6		6
Angelosanto, Domir	1	0.5		1	14.5	17
Bliudzius, Romas				1	5	6
Burke, Dave					3	3
Cashman, Cal	2	2		1	10.5	15.5
Elliott, Mark				0.5	2	2.5
Gies, Jerry						
Gies, Tim	2	3	1	1	7	14
Hoffman, George	1	1	12		3	17
Hoffman, Matt	1	2	1		2	6
Kuhr, Bob	1	1			6	8
Mackson, John			2		2	4
Schaefer, Jack	2	1		1.5	4	8.5
Steinhauer, Goeff			2		2	4
Stress, Ken					6	6
Trachsel, Brian	2	1	4		10	17
Trachsel, Jay	2	1			10	13
Trachsel, Jeff	1	1			8	10
Trachsel, Michael	2	2	1		2	8
Trachsel, Steve					4	4
Trachsel, William		2			4	6
VanHollebeke, Matt	2	2			2	6

ELIGIBLE MEMBERS TO HOLD OFFICE ARE ACTIVE MEMBERS ONLY.

NOMINATION FOR THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND TREASURER SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING. THE ELECTION OF THE ABOVE OFFICES WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE MARCH MEETING. IF YOU WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE MARCH MEETING YOU MAY REQUEST AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FROM THE ELECTION COMMITTEE.

SPECIAL NOTE: NICK ANGELOSANTO, DAVE BURKE AND JAY TRACHSEL HAVE ONE YEAR REMAINING ON THE COUNCIL FOR 2013 AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE NOMINATED FOR ANY OTHER OFFICE.

MARCH MEETING AFTER THE ELECTION FOR PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY AND TREASURER. DAVE BURKE, NICK ANGELOSANTO AND JAY TRACHSEL HAVE A YEAR REMAINING ON THEIR COUNCIL TERMS AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE NOMINATED TO ANOTHER OFFICE.

THERE ARE NO PROVISIONS FOR AN ABSENTEE BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS.

LAST 5 YEAR HISTORY OF OFFICERS 2005 - 2012

2008 President John Clingerman

Vice-President Michael Trachsel

Secretary Dion Angelosanto Treasurer Goeff Steinhauer

Council (1 year term) Cal Cashman, Eric Hoffman, Billy Trachsel (2 year term) Nick Angelosanto, Jack Schaefer, Brian Trachsel

2009 President Michael Trachsel

Vice-President Matthew VanHollebeke

Secretary Dion Angelosanto Treasurer John Mackson

Council (1 year term) Nick Angelosanto, Jack Schaefer, Brian Trachsel

(2 year term) Jeff Trachsel, William Trachsel Jr., Steve Trachsel

2010 President Michael Trachsel

Vice-President Matthew VanHollebeke

Secretary Dion Angelosanto
Treasurer John Mackson

Council (1 year term) Jeff Trachsel, William Trachsel Jr., Steve Trachsel

(2 year term) Dave Burke, Geoff Steinhauer, Jay Trachsel

2011 President Matt VanHollebeke

Vice-President William Trachsel

Secretary Dion Angelosanto Treasurer Michael Trachsel

Council (1 year term) Dave Burke, Geoff Steinhauer, Jay Trachsel

(2 year term) Jason Osborne, Brian Trachsel, Steve Trachsel

2012 President Matt VanHollebeke

Vice-President William Trachsel

Secretary Dion Angelosanto Treasurer Michael Trachsel

Council (1 year term) Jason Osborne, Brian Trachsel, Steve Trachsel

(2 year term) Dave Burke, Nick Angelosanto, Jay Trachsel

SPECIAL NOTE: JASON OSBORNE SERVED 6 MONTHS OF 2012 TERM

AND REMAINING 6 MONTHS SERVED BY CAL CASHMAN.

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