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Tri-V Umph
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President's Message

July? Really? So far I'm not seeing it. Although it's nice to save money on sunscreen, I'd much rather have the sun and warm weather. Maybe it's on the way.

It has been an eventful month for me personally. We finally got the keys to our new home in Macomb Township after a month without a home. While we appreciate all those who took us in for a few weeks, it was so nice to have our own space again. Michelle and I are currently looking for any Tri-V members who like to paint or wash walls.

In June we celebrated the club's anniversary with a party at the AmVets Hall in Westland. Unfortunately I missed the event, but all of my sources say it was a good time. Thank you, Steve Trachsel and his committee for organizing the event. Thank you also to the members who participated in the "pantomime" show and provided the entertainment for the evening.

This weekend we will have the annual picnic at Heritage Park in Farmington Hills. This is always a fun event especially for the little ones. Hopefully everyone will be able to attend and hopefully July will show up too.

Tri-V Wives Meeting

All women of Tri-V are invited to the July 17th swim at the home of Blondie Forsyth at 2 pm. Dinner will be at 5 pm.

Menu -- Homemade tacos
Taco Ingredients

Taco meat -- Peg
Shells - Victoria
Olives -- Onallee
Taco Sauce -- Sherry
Cheese - Judy
Lettuce -- Ellie
Tomatoes - Jacqui

Sour cream -- Blondie
Avocados - Jan
Salsa - Delores
Onions -- Geri

This month, as well as Christmas Luncheon/Dinner and Spring Luncheon/Dinner is open to all Tri-V wives. Hope to see as many of you as we can.....

GIRL'S WEEKEND

The Girl's Weekend is scheduled for Tuesday, September 24 to Wednesday September 25. We will be attending a fall flower festival at the Frederick Meijer Gardens in Grand Rapids, Michigan. We will leave by car at 9:00am on Tuesday and should arrive in Grand Rapids 2 hours later. After lunch we will attend the tours and a Tram ride through the Garden spending most of Tuesday at the garden. I will follow later with some details about the expense. We will return on Wednesday after a leisurely morning breakfast. Again, questions? Please contact Jacqui. 248-349-7359 For those of you who love gardening this trip should be a must.

Book Club

July's Book Club will be held on Tuesday, July 23 at 7:00 p.m. we will be discussing "Cutting for Stone" by Abraham Verghese at the home of Suzanne Schaefer.

All are invited to join us and discuss the book.

Other books recommended are:

"Calling Me Home" by Julie Kilber

"The Namesake" by Jhumpa Lahiri

2013 Anniversary Party

On June 21st Tri-V celebrated its 76th anniversary at the luxurious Wayne AmVets Post in Westland. 33 participants attended the event and were treated to a 3 meat buffet and cash bar. After dinner a pantomime/variety show was put on by volunteers. Acts included singing from Terry and Ellie Connolly, comedic works by Lee Anderson and John Lardin, Mike and Kristin Trachsel, Victoria Angelosanto, Sherry Kuhr, Steve and Jay Trachsel, and a true pantomime act from Brian Trachsel. The nights MC was Lee Anderson, thanks Lee. All in attendance had the opportunity to play games and win fabulous prizes. I would like to thank all of you for going to the event, a special thank you to everyone who volunteered to put on a performance and to my committee Lee Anderson, and Jay Trachsel.

Tri-V Final Golf

August 16th-18th

Hoping to have 28 golfers, right now I have 26 that have paid the 100.00 deposit. I will need the final payment of 180.00 by August 1st. Please get the money in on time so the committee can get all the games and pay outs set up to save time on weekend. **AUGUST 1ST DEADLINE.**

FRIDAY GOLF

The Lakes – 12:30
1233 Opal Lake Road
Gaylord 49735
989-732-4454
877-732-4455

Saturday Golf

Elk Ridge-10:30
9400 Rouse Road
Atlanta 49709
800-626-4355

Sunday Golf

The Pines-10:00
1535 Opal Lake Road
Gaylord 49735
888-746-3742

**I will have the games for each day set up by the next paper. Again please have final 180.00 in by AUGUST 1st.
Committee**

Tri-V Picnic

The picnic will be on Saturday, July 13 with lunch served at 1:00 PM, at Heritage Park on Farmington Rd between Ten and Eleven Mile Rds in Farmington Hills. We have the pavilion all day. Please bring a dish to share with six other people besides your family. No entry fee for the park or the splash fountains. There is a splash park close by, play area for children, volley ball court, walking trails, and nature center. The games for the children as usual will also be held. We've ordered a beautiful day, so come out and enjoy a relaxing day at the park. Your picnic committee Terry Connolly, Dave Burke & John Lardin

Steak Roast

Save the date for the annual steak roast. It is going to be August 31st at Gunnar Mettala Park 49045 Pontiac Trail Wixom, Michigan. The tentative start time is 2 PM we plan on eating at 4 PM.

Thanks your committee
Tim Gies
Jerry Gies
John Mackson
Eric Hoffman
George Hoffman

Trifles

From Blondie Forsyth

Thank you Tri-V for a great 76th anniversary. When I got married to Fraser, 69 years ago, he was already in Tri-V and also in the United States Army. So you can see that I've been in Tri-V for a long time too. All of the entertainment at the Anniversary Party brought back a lot of good memories. I want to thank the committee for a great night. I also want to thank Tri-V for keeping the widows involved. I love all of you!!!



Mike & Kristin Trachsel would like to announce their marriage at a small family wedding on June 29, 2013.

From the Lardins

June proved to be a busy month for Judy and John Lardin. As we have reported before Judy is in the process of selling her Mom's home in IL. There is an offer accepted by Judy with the closing date being by June 29th. Judy and John were celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary, the date being the 28th of June. With the house and all it made it hard to plan any special event. Jan and Cal Cashman did make dinner arrangements at Texas Road House for dinner. When Judy and John arrived they were "SURPRISED" to see the Schaefers, Angelosantos, Andersons, Gies, Kuhrs, Connollys and Cashmans to a true surprise. Son Brian told Judy in Feb. to not plan anything on June 23rd. With the house situation Brian finally told us that we were supposed to go to Church together on Sun. then to breakfast. He made arrangements for us at Fox Hills in Plymouth and when we arrived there sons John and Mike and their family along with John's sister Mary and Judy's sister-in-law Pat along with her husband were there (a few of you will get that one). Judy and John labored for hours what to do or how to celebrate this milestone and both agreed that a new furnace, air conditioner and humidifier was the perfect gift. They will be taking a trip to Idaho in Aug. meeting up with her cousins to visit her Uncle Milton (her Mom's youngest brother and only surviving of the original five siblings). The final anniversary celebration was on Mon, July 8th when the Schaefers treated the Lardins to a ham sandwich at Mikes Famous Ham Sandwich in Detroit at Mich. and W. Grand Blvd. John had Jack drive the scenic tour back home and Jacquie saw places she did not existed in Detroit. Some good and some not so good. At Fenkell and Greenfield Jacqui said she had seen enough for this trip and onto I-96 to make it home. As far as the house goes the accepted offer has been extended to July 11th and am sure will be extended longer as only waiting for the mortgage company of the buyer to finalize things. The buyer is afraid that Judy might pull the offer off the table. She says she is just tired of paying all the bills and wants to get it over with. We mentioned before also that daughter-in-law Kim in TX had gotten her teaching degree and happy to tell you that she has received and accepted a job offer to teach second graders at a charter school in TX. All are proud of her and wish her well.

Calendar of Events

July

1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Golf league
13th Tri-V Picnic
Heritage Park (1 pm)
17th Wives Swim
Blondie Forsyth (2 pm)
23rd Book Club
Suzanne Schaefer (7pm)

July Birthdays

4th Dion Angelosanto
21st Michael Trachsel

July Anniversaries

7-14-45 Bill & Onallee Trachsel
7-17-65 Terry & Ellie Connolly

August

5, 12 Golf League
16-18th Men's Golf Weekend
31st Steak Roast
Gunnar Mettala Park

August Birthdays

2nd Kathie Dushary
6th John Lardin
9th Matthew VanHollebeke
21st Katie Stress
28th John Mackson
29th Peg Hoffman

August Anniversaries

8-4-72 Jay & Liz Trachsel
8-4-07 Steve & Amber Trachsel
8-12-78 Jerry & Barb Gies
8-27-71 Terry & Sue Dunham

MEMORIES FROM THE JULY 2003 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

Once again we asked to remember Club members and their family in our prayers. We start with one of the original members, Don Gasco, who was in the hospital with another stroke. Lorraine Trachsel, wife of Art, was released from the Wound Center and turned over to Hospice for further care on each leg. She seemed to be showing improvement and the first week in July she fell and hurt her legs again. Pat Foley was having colon surgery on July 7th at Providence Hospital, Betty Galloway's four year old granddaughter, Mckenna, is still in the battle of fighting leukemia and Larry Lardin was recovering from a torn Achilles tendon at the heal. There were several articles on the coming and goings of the TRI-V Family. Judy and John Lardin were going to Texas for the surgery on Larry while Mike Lardin was going to IL to paint Grandma and Grandpa's house. Judy was flying from TX to IL to ride back with Mike. Vickie Angelosanto's niece and nephew, Karla and Chavel, arrived in MI on June 17th from their new home in HI to spend the rest of the summer with them and Karlyn and Tim Gies spent time the July 4th week in KY at the Gies family reunion. For Father's Day the Andersons had the family for the holiday. Brian and family made it in from Atlanta and Marian's father was able to join them for dinner, this being the first time out in nearly a year. The Women's weekend on Aug. 8th – 10th has been finalized with the itinerary and cost determined. The trip will be to Sauder Village in OH. Men's final golf is set for Gaylord MI the weekend of Aug. 22nd – 24th and the Oct. event is a road rally set for Sat, Oct. 11th. Mike Lardin qualified for the Nike Amateur MI Golf Tour. Something he said he had to try.

MEMORIES FROM THE JULY 2008 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

Most of the TRI-V Family was in good health though some still needed our prayers. Art Trachsel ended up having total knee replacement on his right knee and was in a rehab/nursing facility. Nick Angelosanto's Mom also had knee replacement. The knee operation seems to be fine but her body (heart) is in some distress from the operation. John Lardin has started his rehab following his heart attack on May 15th with 32 visits planned at Garden City Hospital and to Ryan Trachsel, son of Jeff, who was preparing for his second deployment to Iraq. The big event for the month was the marriage of Mike Lardin to Beverly Pritchard on the beach in Naples FL on June 21st. Those traveling or having out of town guest were the Schaefer's having their daughter and two grandchildren in Aug. from Japan, the Clingerman's having their two daughters and husband and Donna's mother in for a nice family reunion and the Lardin's having Judy's Mom and sister in from IL to celebrate Mike and Bev's wedding. John Mackson worked the five star basketball camp at Lewis University in IL while Robyn and the kids hung out with Christina Bliudzius. The Gies traveled to Myrtle Beach SC to celebrate the Gies' family reunion. The TRI-V Picnic was set for July 27th at Mettala Park, Wixom, while the steak roast was set for Aug. 9th also at Mettala Park, Wixom. The Wives Woman Outing was set for an overnight stay at the "House in the Woods", Dewitt MI on Aug. 15th while Men's Final Golf was set for the weekend of Aug 16th – 18th at Kendallville IN. This wraps up another trip down memory lane. Summer is finally here in full swing. Remember those trips to Kensington Metro Park for swimming and family picnics? I do especially the ride there and back on Grand River, two lanes plus a center turn lane, heavy traffic and trying to pass the car in front of you. Maybe it was your first baseball game to see the Tigers at Tiger Stadium or if old enough to Briggs Stadium or maybe a trip to Belle Isle to have that picnic, swim in the Detroit River or ride a canoe in the canal. Such good memories and most of the time a special treat as not everyone had access to a car when wanted. How about those hot nights with no air condition that we all survived by maybe sleeping on the porch or in a tent in the backyard. Will not say that we have gotten spoiled, or have we? There has to be a lot of memories to share with each other. Last Mon. the Lardin's and Schaefer's made a trip to Mikes Famous Ham Shack on Mich. and W. Grand Blvd. and on the way back showed Jacqui the sites of old Detroit, the good parts and the bad parts as well as the houses that Jack and John and Judy lived in. Was an experience for Jacqui and was surprising how long she was able to hold her breath as she saw sites she did not expect to see. Life is good and continues to share these memories. Until we see you in print next month, the Good Lord willing, take care of one another.