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Tri-V Umph
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President's Message

Happy New Year! Hopefully you haven't broken all of your resolutions yet. This year I resolved to exercise more, eat healthier, drink more water (without beer in it), and quit smoking (in case I decide to start). But then it got cold outside, there were many parties involving pizza and cookies, there was beer in my can of water, and I even smoked a cigar. I guess I'll try again next year. Thanks to the children's Christmas party committee for setting up another great event for the little ones. Thank you to Matt V. for playing the role of Santa for one "final" year. This month we look forward to the council party. We will be heading to downtown Rochester for the Fire and Ice festival. It should be a good time as long as you like the cold. Of course, I would be remiss if I didn't congratulate Eric Hoffman who bowled a 300 game on December 30th. If only the rest of his team would have showed up, they might have won that game. The January meeting will be at Drakeshire Lanes at 6:15. This is a bit later than the last couple of meetings. Hopefully that will allow everyone enough time to fight through rush hour traffic.

Tri-V Wives Meeting

Please note that the Tri-V Wives Club meetings are now scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 1pm. (no longer in the evenings) All women of Tri-V members are invited to join us. Next meeting is Feb. 4th - Sherry Kuhr

Book Club

No information was given.

Children's Xmas Party

The Children's Christmas Party on Dec. 14 was at Eddie Edgar Ice Arena, Livonia and had a total of 43 adults and 26 children in attendance. When the children arrived they received a Christmas bag filled with various items including an ornament, Christmas drinking cup, candy, pencil, post it note, etc.

Many of the children and some adults took the opportunity to use the open skate time of almost 1 ½ hours to skate, slide, laugh and tumble onto the ice. Those that chose not to skate colored, did crafts, enjoyed each other's company and ate lots of popcorn. At 3:00 PM the seventeen pizzas arrived. Everyone must have worked up an appetite, as all but one pizza was consumed. Dessert was a wonderful selection of cookies that were brought by the guests. Santa arrived around 3:30 PM much to the delight of "most" of the children. Stella who didn't know she had an intimate relationship with Santa (her father) was very distraught until she was back safely into her mother's arms. A few other tiny guests made their parents proud by actually sitting on Santa's lap. An improvement over last year. Santa was very generous again and even remembered presents for two of our future members who are hockey players and were skating in games at other ice arenas. Hopefully, Dominic Mackson and Marcus (Schaefer) Snow had wins. Thanks to Brian Trachsel for volunteering to help and collecting the money. Also, big, big thanks go to Jeff & Karen Trachsel, and Steve & Amber Trachsel. They stayed, sweep, stacked chairs and helped put the room back into order. The last two years seemed to be enjoyed by everyone, but the committee is looking for suggestions for a change next year. Please give your comments to next year's committee Dale Horst, Bill Trachsel, or Nick Angelosanto. Matt and Kali VanHollebeke are great committee members. If I didn't know, I wouldn't have recognized Santa. Another thanks to Victoria, who starts shopping the day after Christmas and helped keep the cost of the party to only \$3.00 per adult. Your Chairperson, Nick Angelosanto

Pinochle Hosts

Here is the tentative schedule for February and March. As it stands right now my house in February will be on Sunday rather than Saturday. If you are scheduled there and that is a problem for you, please let me know. Also if I left you off the schedule and you want to play or if I included you and you won't be playing, let me know.

Schaefer's house in March will also be a different day, yet to be determined.

Brian

February

Stress

Trachsel, Mike

Trachsel, Jeff

Kuhr

Schaefer

Trachsel,

B(Sunday)

Trachsel, Bill

Mackson

Bliudzius

Angelosanto

March

Trachsel. Jeff

Trachsel, Mike

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Mackson

Angelosanto

Schaefer

Trachsel, Br

Trachsel, Bill

Kuhr

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TRI-V FAMILY EVENT

Best Western Plus Sterling Inn March 21st Cost-99.99 plus tax

4 water park passes per room. If you don't use all your water passes you can give to other people in group. If we need extra passes they are 15.00 dollars a day per person. The call in number is 586-979-1400 to book room. It will be under TRI-V for the group rate. Need to call by February 14th. I only blocked 20 rooms but I can add extra rooms if needed. If you are planning to go please let me know so I can make a list.

Any questions please let me know.

Thanks Committee

Jeff, Ryan, Dion

Ladies Get Away

The ladies of Tri-V had such a relaxing, enjoyable time at Hankerd Inn in Pleasant Lake, MI we have decided to return for a get-a-way this year. We will be arriving on Monday, Aug. 3, 2015 and leaving on Wednesday, Aug. 5. The cost per person is \$150.00 and includes lodging for two nights, two breakfasts, two dinners, one lunch and gas money per car. A \$50 deposit will be required no later than May 1, 2015 which can be mailed to Victoria Angelosanto. Final payment of \$100 must be made no later than July 27, 2014. Please make check out to Victoria Angelosanto. Everyone will have their own bed, but may share a bedroom. Pleasant Lake is very close to most of our homes, so if someone is not able to stay the whole time adjustments can be made. If you would like more information on the Bed and Breakfast, go to www.hankerdinnresort.com.

TRI-V ELECTION

At the February 2015 TRI-V Club meeting we will have nominations for the office of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. At the March 2015 meeting we will have the election for the above offices and follow that for three Council Seats. In the January 2015 issue of the Umph the officer history of Active members and the five year history of officers will be included. Please take the time to print out and review all so you will be well prepared for the nomination process in February.

Jay Trachsel

Chairman,

Election Committee

Council Party

Join your friends in downtown Rochester for the 8th annual Fire & Ice Festival. This celebration of winter, held on Saturday, January 24th is among the premier winter events in Michigan. Activities include dog sled rides, a tube sledding hill, Concerts, a figure skating demonstration, snow shoeing,

cross-country skiing, ice carvings, marshmallow roasting, and a taste fest and beer tent. The Big, Bright Light Show illuminates downtown each night in a glorious rainbow of colors. A spectacular firework display lights up the night skies. The festival site is at East Water and Third streets in downtown Rochester. Parking is available in downtown Rochester or at Buffalo Wild Wings at 1234 Walton. There will be a shuttle running between the restaurant and the festival. Tri-V members should plan on arriving at the taste fest area around 6:00 pm. This will give us time to grab some food and a beverage before enjoying the activities. The event has no cost, but you will need to purchase your own food and drinks.

<http://www.downtownrochestermi.com/wp-content/uploads/2015-fire-and-ice-event-schedule.pdf>

Dress Warm,

Your Tri-V council

Trifles

From the Lardins

Judy and John Lardin spent the second weekend of Dec. in Corpus Christi TX celebrating grandson Jacob's eighth birthday. This was the best trip weather wise we have had the last three years (three trips each year). The low was in the low 60s and the high was in the high 70s with very little humidity. John and Larry did get in a round of golf and upon returning Judy and John started to prepare for the three month stay in FL. They left on Sun., Jan. 4th and there were no problems other than the normal heavy traffic from Atlantic to Macon GA. John drove over a little more than 800 miles on Sun leaving 500 for Mon. Great weather so far in FL though not quite as warm as expected but much better than the cold those up north have to put up with. We will be in FL until sometime after the first week in April and looking forward to a few visitors during their stay.

Calendar of Events

January

3rd Pinochle (6:30 pm)
7th Ladies Mtg. (1pm)
Onallee Trachsel
13th Men's Mtg
Drakeshire Lanes(6 pm)
24th Council Party

January Birthdays

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

February

4th Ladies Mtg. (1pm)
Sherry Kuhr
7th Pinochle
10th Men's Mtg
Drakeshire Lanes(6 pm)

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

January Anniversaries

1-3-75 Tim & Karlyn Gies

February Anniversaries

None

JANUARY MEMORIES

From John Lardin: Somewhere along the line the January Memories from 2006 and 2011 are floating in cyber space. When I am able to retrieve them upon my return to MI they will appear. Sorry for any disappointment caused.