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Tri-V Umph
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President's Message

There isn't much to love about February. It's cold and snowy. The sun only stays up for like 8 hours leaving us in seemingly perpetual darkness. It's littered with made up holidays like Groundhog Day, President's Day, and Valentine's Day. There are no Tri-V events to attend. And I get to hear great stories of tropical vacations from friends who were lucky enough to get out. The only saving graces for February are the Super Bowl, the fact that it only lasts 28 days and the possibility of snow days (my favorite holidays). That being said, we did attempt a council party at the end of January. A few people braved the cold to check out the Fire and Ice Festival in downtown Rochester. The family event is on the schedule for March. Be sure to make your reservations now. At this month's meeting we will be taking nominations for officers. Voting will take place next month. As always, if you know you are going to be out of town during the March meeting please request an absentee ballot from Jay Trachsel so you may still place your vote for officers. Hope to see everyone at the meeting (6:15 at Drakshire Lanes). Place your calzone orders now so there will be no waiting after the meeting.

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 March 4th at the home of Dolores McMillian.

Book Club

No information was given.

TRI-V ELECTION

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

TRI-V FAMILY EVENT

Will be at the Best Western Plus Sterling Inn on March 21st at the cost of 99.99 for the night. Each room gets 4 water park passes, if you don't need all 4 passes we can use with the people from our group that have more than 4 in a room. Extra passes are 15.00 per day.

The call in number is 586-979-1400. If you haven't booked a room yet please do so in the next week, the final day is the 14th. Also please let me know so I can get a count. You can eat in the pool area. I will be ordering Pizza for the seating area in pool area for around 6:00P.M. Again please let me know once you have made your room reservation so I can get a count.

Thanks

Committee

Jeff 248-249-2921

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.

Pinochle Hosts

Here is the tentative schedule for March. 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

Council Party

The council party was held on January 24th in beautiful downtown Rochester, Michigan. Over 60,000 people made it out for this year's Tri-V Council Party and Fire and Ice Festival, although I only knew about 7 of the attendees. The evening began at 6 pm with the taste fest and beer tent. We managed to find some seats in the tent and people were able to choose from several different food and drink options. The jambalaya had me sweating even though we were outside in Michigan. After dinner we took a walking tour of the downtown shops, including the lights, ice sculptures and the group took some time to warm up and experience olive oil tasting and wine tasting. The night ended with a wonderful fireworks display over the city and although we ran out of time to tube down the hill a good time was had by all.

Final Golf

Final Golf is only 6 months away so make sure you keep the weekend of August 21st – 23rd open. Deposit of 150.00 will due by May 15th. I would like to get at least 32 golfers for this year so we can have Ray's Retreat for TRI-V Only. Again mark your Calendars.

Committee
Jeff
Geoff
John M.
Dale

Final Pinochle

Final pinochle will be at the Cadieux Café on Sunday, April 19, 2015. Dinner will be from 5 pm to 7 pm and bowling will be from 7 pm to 8 pm. Committee: C. Cashman, Bliudzius, and K. Stress.

Proposed Marbles

At the last TRI-V meeting I brought up the possibility of changing Pinochle to something else to see if we could increase participation. I suggested Marbles. There seemed to be a good amount of interest. I said that I would work on the idea and bring something to the next meeting. Here is what I have so far. If there is enough interest, we can work out the details. Take heart Pinochle players, although I'm suggesting we replace Pinochle, I know that several people including myself enjoy playing so we will work to continue it in some form.

Brian Trachsel

Proposed Marbles (to replace Pinochle)

- A) Marbles will be played as two person teams to be determined by draw.
- B) Marbles boards will have two or three teams, (three is preferred) based on the total number of players.
- C) There will be two or more houses per month depending on number of players.
- D) Each month at least one house will be kid friendly (bring your kids with you).
- E) Each month will be a stand alone competition (prizes paid that night).
- F) Season long trophy or championship is yet to be determined.
- G) Scoring will be as follows:
 - 1) The first team to get all of their marbles in is the game winner and receives 2 points.
 - 2) The first player to get all of their marbles in receives 1 point (win or lose).
 - 3) The second player to get all of their marbles in receives ½ point (win or lose).
- H) There will be three games played each night. The partners will change each game.

Trifles

From the Lardins

I guess when you can be in FL during the winter instead of MI there is no reason to complain about the weather. The month of Jan and first part of Feb were not as warm as last year but still very comfortable. Most days the temp has been in the mid to high 70s and does have some effect on pool time. Though the pool water is heated the cool breeze and temp makes it a little chilly to swim. John suffered with a case of the flu (or something like that) and it took over two weeks to get rid of it. Son Mike and Judy's Alyssa will be coming in on Wed, Feb. 11th and staying until the end of the following week. Bev will be joining them on Sat. Feb. 14th for the week. When Judy talks to Alyssa, she is asked by Alyssa, "Grandma, are you still in FL? I need a sleepover with you." As one can guess Judy is excited as she has not seen Alyssa since Christmas Day. Jan and Cal Cashman have made it here for the month of Feb. allowing members of the FL TRI-V Family to get together.

From J. Trachsel

I am thrilled to announce that my Daughter, Andrea is pregnant with her second child. We are expecting this bundle of joy in August. That will make 3 new grandchildren for Karen and I this year!

From the Dusharys

Art has been in the hospital for over a week now. He has been running a fever for about 3 weeks now. They are pumping him with a lot of strong antibiotics and doing lots of tests. They have not come up with a diagnosis yet and he is still running a fever and is in quite a bit of pain. They just did a bronchcopy this morning and will not have results until Friday late or Monday they think the source of infection could be coming from his lungs

Calendar of Events

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
28th Helene Ryan

February Anniversaries

None

March

4th Ladies Mtg (1 pm)
Delores McMillan
7th Pinochle
10th Men's Mtg
Drakeshire Lanes(6 pm)
27th Family Event

March Birthdays

3rd Victoria Angelosanto
4th Terry Dunham
20th Ellie Connolly
22nd Ryan Trachsel
28th John Clingerman
29th Bill Trachsel(young)
30th Cal Cashman
31st Art Dushary & Geri Ruetenik

March Anniversaries

3-22-03 Bill & Michelle Trachsel

MEMORIES FROM THE February 2005 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

The month of Feb. found most of our TRI-V Family in good health. We still needed our prayers for Peg Wendt. Peg and Bob were on a cruise the middle of Jan. to Costa Maya, Costa Rica, Panama Canal, San Blas Cartagena and Jamaica. All was going well until the deep steps on the bus required Peg to be lifted off the bus. In doing so she hurt her back and was in terrible pain. Diane Plocharczyk had a biopsy on Jan. 31st and all went well and the Dr. is positive it was a fatty tissue deposit and no further tests are needed. Marian and Lee Anderson spent the month of Jan. in Spain where Lee has taken a temporary contract position with Visteon. They came home in time to welcome their new granddaughter on Feb. 2nd. Unfortunately Marian is being treated for shingles on her ear and arm and has kept her from being close to the new baby. Ken Plocharczyk will spend Feb. 14th through March 6th in FL. visiting Art Trachsel and other friends and relatives and in April he and Diane are planning a two week trip to Maui HI. On Feb. 3rd Art Trachsel was awarded a plaque honoring him for outstanding work in recruiting blood donors in the Madows Community, Sarasota, where he resides. The TRI-V Anniversary Party is scheduled for March 12th at the Maples of Novi, Novi, and Final Pinochle is set for April 9th at Colonial Acres Clubhouse, South Lyon.

MEMORIES FROM THE February 2010 ISSUE OF TRI-V UMPH

The Club mourned the passing of long time member Bud Massoll. Bud was very active member and quite the athletic excelling in bowling, golf and softball as well as a sharp pinochle player. Also to

Blondie Forsyth on the passing of her son-in-law, Jim Jiggins, suddenly on Feb. 3rd at his home in TX. Jim was a retired Major and upon his retirement from the service was a pilot for American Airlines. Our prayers also go out to Vickie and Nick Angelosanto. Vickie's mother, Vickie Battel who resides in AZ., fell and broke two ribs in her back as well as a hospital stay with pneumonia. Also to Nick's mom, Rosa, who has many, many medical problems and continue to see a different doctor to get a different perspective on care for her. Our prayers also for Mildred Hoch, mother of Judy Lardin, who spent five days in the hospital while staying with Judy and John, with a bowl blockage. Fortunately they were able to clear the blockage without surgery. While there they also found and drained a quart of fluid behind her lung and a decision will be made of the treatment she will need when she returns to IL. Sherry and Bob Kuhr were leaving on Feb. 14th for FL making stops along the way to visit friends in the Villages, then to Kathy and Art Dushary for a few days, then to Port Charlotte to visit friends and ending up March 1st at Karlyn and Tim Gies in North Fort Myers and returning home Easter weekend. Pinochle standings through Feb. play had Nick Angelosanto in first place with 125.5 points, Cal Cashman and Vickie Angelosanto tied for second place with 112 points and Dion Angelosanto in fourth place with 110 points.