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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear MWC Ladies,

The holidays are upon us! It's a very festive time of year that we must take advantage of if we are able. There's nothing more important than family, close friends being a part of that group. As we weave in and out and around this pandemic, which is still a very real thing, let's remember to continue to use caution, and I remind you MWC still has a mask requirement, when needed and possible to do so. I want to believe most of us are fully vaccinated, including a booster. Let's enjoy this month as a Club attending the Christmas Exchange and Christmas Social Luncheon. We can still enjoy ourselves while staying safe, which I also need to be reminded of. Happy Holidays!

-Chris Sagenbrecht, President, MWC

SILENT AUCTION - GIVING DE-"LIGHTS" US

Our grand total for the Silent Auction was \$7,247.00 that will go to our Charity - Youth Emergency Services. We still have the 25year old bottle of Jack Daniels to auction which was a generous gift from Shirley Raleigh. More details about "Jack" later. Thank you for your wonderful support.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

- 1. Activities: When Omaha schools are closed, Metro Women's Club activities are also canceled, ie. Bunco, Bridge etc.
- 2. Luncheons: When Omaha schools are closed our luncheons are canceled, <u>only if they are at a Restaurant</u>. All Luncheons held at a private catered venue, such as Arbor Hall or Oak Hills, **are not canceled**. If the venue is a private catered venue you will be charged for your luncheon if you are a no-show.
- 3. **Board Meetings: Board Meetings are an exception to the Omaha School closing rule.** Board Meetings will only be canceled if travel is not recommended by our Police Department, Mayor Office or our Roads Department. If weather is a problem, Officers and Chairpersons must email their Newsletter information to Marcelene Lewis or be phoned in. The Newsletter must still go out no matter the weather.

SPRING SOCIAL & GAME DAY - HATS OFF TO YOU - WE LOVE WHAT YOU DO!

2nd Tuesday, March 8, 2022 - Arbor Hall, 14040 Arbor Street, , Omaha NE

We'd love to have your help in contacting businesses you frequent for items for our Spring Social & Game Day, benefiting Youth Emergency Services (YES). We will have "request letters" for you at the January Luncheon to take with you as you solicit. Please consider donating a NEW, decorative item, a gift basket, gift certificates or cash for our Money Tree. Donations of raffle items are being accepted at all MWC functions until February 28, 2022. Please put your name on your donation. You may also call a chair person to pick up your donation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Remember this is a great opportunity to invite your friends for fun, food, and chances to win raffle items. Chairman Doris Helfrich Co-Chairs: Jean Cully, Rosemary Bliss, and Pat Tonar

TIP TOP THRIFT SHOP

5910 Maple St. Omaha, NE 68104 (In Benson) 402-551-1302

The Tip Top Thrift Shop is owned and operated by volunteers. Profits benefit Youth Emergency Services and their work with homeless and at-risk teens. Hours may vary but currently they are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 AM to 4 PM. When items were dropped off, I called and staff willingly came out and helped bring in the donations. Right now, warm coats and blankets might be really appreciated. For accepted items just call the shop. MWC Member

CARDS

If any of our members need a card of Cheer, Get Well, Congratulations or Sympathy sent , please contact Linda Nelson. Linda will send a card out to them. Staying connected is extremely important for us.

SODA CAN TABS

Please save your soda and beer can tabs. <u>Only Aluminum tabs please</u>. You can use a magnet to determine if it is Aluminum. Aluminum is not magnetic. The tabs go to The Ronald McDonald House which supports families with children that are hospitalized. Sharon Hardage or Margi Vice is our contact and you may give your saved tabs to them. Thank you.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER HOLIDAY EXCHANGE - 1st TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7th, 1:00 PM

At: Deborah Merritt Jones

Deborah Merritt Jones has graciously offered to open her beautiful home for our Christmas Holiday Exchange. The event will he held Tuesday, December 7th at 1:00 PM. Bring a \$10.00 gift item for our Secret Santa exchange plus a sweet or savory treat to share. What a wonderful way to kick off the holiday season. Please be considerate of others and wear a mask if you are not fully vaccinated. <u>Please do not bring food items that require the use of an oven</u>.

SOCIAL NOON LUNCHEON, 2nd TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14th, 11:30 SOCIAL, 12:00 LUNCH At: Oak Hills Country Club, 12325 Golfing Green Drive

Please do not call Oak Hills to make reservations, or to cancel reservations - call: Lori Briggs or Shirley Raleigh listed below:

Menu: House Salad Topped with Italian Dressing Rolls with Whipped Butter

Choice of one

- 1. Raspberry BBQ Salmon, served with Rice Pilaf & Green Beans
- Fettuccini Topped with Chicken Parmesan & Marinara Both selections Includes Coffee and Tea – Cash Bar available DESSERT - PEPPERMINT STICK ICE CREAM Important: Merry Christmas and Joy of the Day.
- Cost:\$23.00 per person (Cash or Check only, we are unable to accept credit cards)Callers:Reservation Deadline: By noon Tuesday, December 7th.Members:Ambassador Callers will contact all members before the deadline. Please allow them the time to do so. If you
have not received a call by noon December 7th please call Lori Briggs or Shirley Raleigh
If you are bringing a guest, provide your caller with your guest's name and menu selection.Cancelations:Deadline is Tuesday, December 7th, or you will be asked to pay.

Please remember that MWC is requiring masks at all indoor events. They should be worn at all times except when you are eating. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Program: Jerry Stingley, local entertainer

BOARD MEETING - 2nd TUESDAY, AFTER LUNCHEON , DECEMBER 14th, 1:00PM. NOTE - CHANGE FROM REGULAR SCHEDULE At: Oak Hills Country Club, 12325 Golfing Green Drive

Those that should attend: Board Members, Committee Chairpersons, Socials and Special Event Chairpersons and all Special Interest Activities Chairpersons are expected to attend the Board Meeting. If unable to attend, you may call or email your information prior to the Board Meeting to Marcelene Lewis, our Newsletter Editor. **All** information needed for the Newsletter, <u>must</u> be submitted at or before the Board Meeting because the Newsletter goes to the Printers Wednesday, the day after the Board Meeting. Thank you, Ladies.

BIRTHDAY BASH - 3rd TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21st, 11:45 AM

No Birthday Bash due to Christmas. See you next year. Happy Holidays Please RSVP to either Rosemary Bliss or LouAnn Norton. All Metro Women are welcome and especially the "Birthday Gals! Birthday Bash Co-Chairpersons: Rosemary Bliss or LouAnn Norton.

GADABOUTS - 4th TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28th, NO GADABOUT FOR DECEMBER

Due to Christmas we will not have Gadabouts in December. See you next year! Committee Chairperson: Doris Helfrich

FUTURE EVENTS

SPRING SOCIAL AND GAME DAY - 2nd TUESDAY, MARCH 8th, 2022, At: Arbor Hall, 14040 Arbor Street, Omaha

Committee Chairpersons: Rosemary Bliss, Jean Cully and Doris Helfrich, Pat Tonar.

LET'S GO PLACES - SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH,

The Let's Go Places travel committee has plans for multiple trips in 2022. Watch the newsletter for updates. Our next adventure will be on March 26th to see the migration of the Sandhill Cranes near Kearney NE. We will carpool and be gone from about 1:00 pm until 11:00 PM. Estimated cost will be less than \$75.00, including viewing station, dinner and gas money for the drivers. Mark your calendars! Reservations and payment for the blind <u>reservation (\$55.00) will be required by January 5th, payable to Barb Bures.</u> Call with questions, Also - because of Covid, there may be limits on people in each session, or the session will be cancelled. Your money will be refunded in full in case of cancellation.

PS: September will be a Fall New England adventure.

Barb Bures, Committee Chair, Helping Barb is Mimi Dryden, Darlene Gaeta, Ginny Volacka, and LouAnn Norton.

FASHION SHOW - 2nd TUESDAY, APRIL 12th, 2022

Committee Chairpersons: Celeste Giery and Carolyn Will Apparel by J Jill Fashions.

THE PERSONALS

December 2021

NEW MEMBERS (153 members) No new members in November

LUNCHEON RAFFLE WINNERS

Deborah Jones, Carolyn Miller, Judy Mumm, Dolores Hughes, C. J. Bart, Lois Lentz, Geri Backora, Doris Toole, Lorraine Kuker, Pat Bond, Kay Porter, Sarah Chvala, Jeri Cone, Rosemary Bliss, Becky Waldron.

CORRECTION/CHANGES

Chris Sagenbrecht - birthday , November 14 Deborah Merritt Jones address -Sarah Chvala - Cell #

THINKING ABOUT YOU

Doris Helfrich - sympathy, nephew's passing Anna Nelson - Get Well, broken leg Lynn Albrecht - Get Well, recovery from knee surgery

Carol Edwards - Get Well, recovery from back surgery **Bobbie Montequin** - Get Well, broken nose surgery. **Antonette Lovejoy** - Get Well, recovery from broken back

Lori Briggs - Thinking of You, husband has health issues.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

NIGHT BUNCO

1st Wednesday, December 1st, 6:30 PM Hostess: Diane Dobrinska

> November Results Most Wins: Monica Clark Most Buncos: Sharon Duignan Most Losses: Jerri Cone Door Prize: Cindy Popp

Evening Bunco has one opening, if anyone is interested call Diane Dobrinska

DAY BUNCO

3rd Wednesday, December 15th, 9:30 AM Hostess: Diane Dobrinska November Results Most Wins: LouAnn Norton Most Buncos: Tina Kirby Most Losses: Carole Thompson Door Prize: Pat Goodyear

If anyone is interested in joining this group as a sub please call Diane Dobrinska

GOLF Please contact Roberta Courter if interested in joining the league next spring.

BRIDGE - NEW LOCATION 2nd Wednesday, December 8th, 11:00AM Zio's Pizzeria 12997 West Center Road \$1.00 to play, Lunch & Tip

November Results High: Karen Lidstrand 2nd: Rpsemary Bliss 3rd: Marilyn Conner

Questions or to add your name to the sub list, contact Anna Nelson

ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE

The Christmas Ornament/Gift Exchange is taking place the same day we play Marathon Bridge. A detailed message has been sent to our Marathon Bridge ladies explaining our choices for that day. If you have any questions, please call Celeste Giery . November Results

Jackie beruine &	
Monica Clark	3800
Rosemary Bliss &	
Ann Nelson	3320
Mary Lou Jambor &	
Mary Beth Manninger	3270

BOOK CLUB Garden Café, Rockbrook Village 11040 Oak Street (108th & Center) 3rd Friday, December 17th, 9:30 AM Book: Sooley Author: John Grisham Bring an item for the Food Bank, a children's book and another book for Chinese gift exchange - not wrapped just a bow Juanita Hammen

STITCH & CHAT

Christmas Luncheon Wednesday, December 8th, 11:30AM At: Pat Bond

We will have a nice luncheon and share some Fun Christmas memories. Please bring either a salad or dessert. Also, please call the hostess, so we can have planned plenty of room for everyone. See you there!

Please call Pat Bond or Dolores Hughes for question.

CINEMA CHICKS

No Movie in December. Movie list currently unavailable Please check your future emails for the movie selected for January Any questions call Chris

AMERICAN MAH JONGG

2nd and 4th Thursday, December 9th at 1:00 PM no December 23rd game due to Christmas. Contact Betty Delavan for lessons or location of where we will be playing on those days.

DINING INN

NOON DELIGHTS - A Gourmet Dinning Club 1st Monday, December 6th, 12:00 Noon Hostess: Cindy Popp,

THE LUNCH BUNCH - A Gourmet Dinning Club 1st Wednesday, December 1st, 12:00 Noon Hostess: Carolyn Will,

DINING DIVAS - A Gourmet Dinning Club 1st Monday, December 6th, 12:00 Noon Hostess: Sue Odell Questions or to sign-up to become a sub, contact Pat Goodyear

BIRTHDAY GALS

Sue Odell	December 9	Mary Johnson	December 17	Jeri Tinsley	December 24
Linda Tesnow	December 14	Annelle Dent	December 19	Sandy House	December 25
Luanne Colbert	December 16	Mary Lou Jambor	December 21	Elaine Tomasevicz	December 25
Catherine Yates	December 16	Barbara Bures	December 23	Happy Birthday Ladies	

December 2021									
Sun	Sun Mon Tue		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
			1 12:00 Lunch Bunch 6:30 Evening Bunco	2	3	4			
5	6 12:00 Noon Delights 12:00 Dining Divas	7 1:00 Holiday Exchange	8 11:00 Bridge 11:30 Holiday Stitch & Chat	9 1:00 Mah Jongg	10 No Cinema Chicks	11			
12	13	14 11:30 Social Noon Luncheon 1:00 Board Meeting -CHANGE	15 9:30 Morning Bunco	16	17 9:30 Book Club	18			
19	20	21 No Birthday Bash 1st Day of Winter	22	23 No Mah Jongg	24	25 Merry Christmas			
26	27	28 No Gadabouts	29 No Stitch & Chat - see 12/8	30	31	Happy New Year			

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