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For more information regarding Metro Women's Club please call: Pat Goodyear or Marilyn Moessner

> New Membership Directors

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER

On a personal note, I want to thank everyone for all their care and concern for us in Valley during the recent flooding. We are home via a very interesting route and everything is dry. We were so fortunate! Let's keep all those who were less fortunate in our thoughts and prayers!

Wasn't Game Day SO much fun? Many, many kudos to committee chairs Jean Cully and Mary Beth Manninger and their team. It was very successful! Check out the numbers in their report!

Now that Spring is here, let us embrace the wonders of nature all around us. We have so much to look forward to! On April 7th, a large group will be attending the live production of "Calendar Girls" at the Lofte Theatre in Manley.

Our Annual Style Show and Luncheon is always an anxiously awaited event. Hope you are planning on attending the April 9th function at Anthony's. Also at this event, Officers for 2019-2020 will be presented and voted on, as well as the Proposed Dues increase and Budget for the coming year. Past-presidents will be honored with flowers.

It is indeed a busy but fun time of year. Remember to send your suggestions for a Merit Award nominee as that honor will be bestowed in May.

As I count my blessings, I want you ALL to know you are among them!

- Fondly, Rosemary and LouAnn

SPRING SOCIAL AND GAME DAY FUNDRAISER

Mary Beth Manninger and Jean Cully would like to thank all our members and guests who helped make Metro Women's Club SPRING SOCIAL & GAME DAY a huge success. We had in attendance 76 members, 29 guests plus two special guests: our auctioneer Ablan Roblin and Saving Grace guest Beth Smith. We made \$ 4,500.00 for our charity, Saving Grace. Thank you for donating money and prizes, buying raffle tickets and of course coming to eat, socialize and play games. We had a fantastic Committee who made things fun. They worked well together to gather prizes, help at the planning meetings, come up with great ideas and they took time to help set-up and decorate. Thank you very much to the Game Day Committee: Pat Bond, Bobbie Montequin, Sandy House and Dolores Hughes. In addition Margi Vice and Margaret Baier helped set up and sell raffle tickets. A special thank you for our Hostesses who help make things go smoothly: Linda Cisar, Barb Thompson and Joyce Thompson.

Co-Chairs - Mary Beth Manninger and Jean Cully

FASHION SHOW

This is one favorite events of the year - the Fashion Show. Dress for Spring and have a fabulous lunch at Anthony's Steak house on April 9th. See page 2 for details. The gals will be showing off fashions from Soft Surroundings. Bring guests!

FUND RAISER - BAKER'S COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Sharon Price and Sarah Chvala have made arrangements with Baker's Grocery Store to make Metro Women's Club part of their Community Rewards Program. A flier was included in your March Newsletter explaining how you can register. Each time you shop at Baker's and use your rewards card, Baker's will donate a percentage of your grocery bill to our charity - Saving Grace. We encourage you to make Baker's one of your favorite stores and also encourage your friends and family to register their cards for our charity as well.

SMITTY'S FUND RAISER

Thanks to all you MWC dinners we collected \$180.45 from Smitty's for our charity.

MERIT AWARD NOMINATION

Once a year our ladies are able to recognize a fellow member for their dedication and hard work. If you would like our Club to recognize one of our members please submit, in writing, the person and the reasons for your nomination.

Past winners: 2008 - Celeste Giery, 2010 - Karen Jackson, 2011 - Mary Johnson. 2012 Monica Clark & Diane Hart, 2013 - Karen Lidstrand, 2014 - Diane Dobrinska & Melody Rowley, 2015 - Rosemary Bliss & Marcelene Lewis, 2016 - Linda Nelson & Lois Lentz, 2017 - Pat Bond & Dolores Hughes, 2018 - Mary Ellen Anderson, Bobbie Montequin &

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Soon it will be membership renewal time. A proposal has been put before the Board to increase our membership dues from \$22.00 per year to **\$25.00**. The increase is necessary due to the increase in operating expenses, such as, postage, printing etc. This increase will be reflected in the Budget that you (our membership) will vote upon at our Fashion Show, Tuesday, April 9th. Note: The Club's last increase in dues was 2014. With the increase, it is still only \$2.00 per month.

SODA CAN TABS

Carolyn Will.

Please save your soda and beer can tabs. The tabs go to The Ronald McDonald House which supports families with children that are hospitalized. Margi Vice is our contact and you may give your saved tabs to her. Thank you.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WELCOMING COFFEE, APRIL 2nd, 10:00 AM

Hostess: Pat Goodyear

Co Hostesses: Diane Dobrinska & Sue Odell

A very relaxing event with fabulous treats. Bring a potential new member.

SOCIAL - SUNDAY, APRIL 7th, 2:00 PM, (YOU MUST THERE BY 1:45PM)

Lofte Community Theatre, 15841 Manley Road, Manley NE 68403, 402-234-2553

Play "Calendar Girls", \$16.00 (Includes a voucher coupon for either pop or popcorn!!)

This is a great social event for MWC members, hubbies, friends and neighbors. Many of the attendees will go to El'Bee's Tex-Mex for dinner after the play. Everyone is welcome. Questions, call Rosemary Bliss or Linda Nelson.

METRO WOMEN'S CLUB FASHION SHOW - 2nd TUESDAY, APRIL 9th, 11:30 AM SOCIAL, 12:00 LUNCH Anthony's Steak House, 7220 "F" Street, 402-331-7575 Invite Guests

Before our Luncheon please enjoy - A glass of Champagne, Cranberry Juice or Orange Juice (or mixture) with Strawberries and raspberries and a piece of Bruschetta.

Choices for our Luncheon are:

1. Top Sirloin, 5 oz. Angus center cut top sirloin.

2. Maple Pecan Salmon Fillet, a pecan-dusted fresh salmon fillet, with maple glaze.

3. Chicken Cordon Bleu, Breast stuffed with ham and swiss cheese with mushroom sauce.

All meals served with a Tossed Salad, Whipped Potatoes and Green Beans.

Tea, Water and Coffee included.

Cake will be provided for dessert.

Cash Bar is available.

Cost: \$23.00

Callers: Reservations needed by April 4th to Bobbie Montequin or Mary Lou Jambor

Cancellation: Cancellations must be made no later than April 4th to Bobbie and Mary Lou or you will be expected to

pay for your luncheon.

Program: Fashion Show. Fashions by Soft Surroundings

BOARD MEETING - 3rd TUESDAY, APRIL 16th, 10:00 AM

At: Marcelene Lewis

Those that should attend: All Board Members, all Committee Chairpersons, all Socials and Special Event Chairpersons and all Special Interest Activities Chairpersons are expected to attend the Board Meeting or send their reports with someone. You may also 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 in order for the Newsletter to go to print. Thank you, Ladies.

BIRTHDAY BASH - 3rd TUESDAY, APRIL 16th, 11:45 AM

At: Cantina Laredo, Midtown Crossing, 120 south 31st Avenue, Suite #5107, 402-345-6000

Validated 3 hour parking at Park Garage "C" (off of 33rd & Dodge, 233 South 33rd Street) Parking also available at meters on circle onto South 31st Avenue. There is also a convenient drop off at entrance. Everyone is welcome to celebrate with the Birthday girls. A sign up sheet will be circulated at our luncheons or contact Shirley Raleigh. Thank you to all that remember to cancel as well. See you there. Birthday gals are listed on page 3.

GADABOUTS - 4th TUESDAY, APRIL 23rd

Rescheduled from April's Gadabouts

Lunch: Langdon's Bar & Grill, 11855 South 216th Street, Gretna NE 68028, 402-934-0011

Tour: Sun Valley Gardens Greenhouse, 11345 South 216th Street, Gretna NE 68028, 402-332-5115

Lunch at our own private room.

Tour: Terry Dolnicek, owner, grows wonderful Geraniums, every color you can imagine!

Any question or tour suggestions, contact Doris Helfrich

SPECIAL FUTURE EVENTS

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL / MERIT AWARDS / NEW OFFICERS - MAY

SUGGESTIONS FOR 2020 CHARITY - MAY -AUGUST

GARAGE SALE AND PICNIC - JUNE

BIRTHDAY GALS

Barbara Dinslage	April 1	Marian Pierce	April 20	Pam Ross	April 26
Karen Jackson	April 2	Jean Cully	April 21	Margaret Bartek	April 28
Cindy Popp	April 9	Bert Harrifeld	April 25	Marcy Carter	April 29

THE PERSONALS

Happy Birthday Ladies

NEW MEMBERS (151 members) Susan Bochart

Margi Vice

THINKING ABOUT YOU

Karen Burns, Thinking of You - medical problems. **Jo Wagner**, Thinking of You - knee surgery. **Carol Edwards**, Thinking of You - medical problems.

YOU'VE GOT MAIL

"Thank You Note" from **Rickie Engel** for the memorial for her husband, Tom.

April 16

SOCIAL/ GAME DAY AUCTION WINNERS

Wine Basket with cutlery - Linda Nelson for \$200.00 Basket of a variety of wines - Babarba Fazzini for \$150.00 Dinner for 6 - Pat Tonar, Helen Bartee, Rickie Engel and Susie Phillips for \$300.00

4 Day 3 Night Condo - Patty Lohr for \$450.00

A special "Thank You" to **Carolyn Will and her son Matt** for donating both wine baskets. To **Bobbie Montequin** for donating the Dinner for 6. And to **Mary Beth Manninger** for donating the 4 day Condo. Thank you Ladies for your generosity which gave our charity over a thousand dollars from the Auction.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

NIGHT BUNCO

1st Wednesday, April 3rd, 6:30 PM Hostess: **Diane Dobrinska**

Results: March 6th
Most Wins: Carolyn Will
Most Buncos: Pat Bond
Most Losses: Monica Clark
Door Prize: Doris Helfrich

We are always accepting subs and permanent members in this group. If interested

call Diane Dobrinska

DAY BUNCO

3rd Wednesday, April 17th, 9:30 AM Hostess: Jerri Cone

Results: March 20th
Most Wins Chris Sagenbrecht
Most Buncos: Mary Ellen Anderson
Most Losses: Carole Thompson
Door Prize: Jerri Cone

If you have questions please call Diane

Dobrinska.

GOLF

Golf will begin again May 3rd. Contact **Pat Bird** to sign-up for Spring. ASAP

BRIDGE

2nd Wednesday, April 10th, 11:00AM Boys
Town Cafeteria & Visitor Center
13603 Flanagan Drive
\$1.00 to play, Lunch & Tip
To play call:
Anna Nelson or Carol Fox

March Results

High: Jackie Berdine 3740
2nd: Karen Lidstrand 3150
3rd: Carole Thompson 2660

Low:

Please make reservation with Anna Call Anna

ROUND ROBIN MARATHON

1st Tuesday, April 2nd, 11:00AM Red Lobster, Oakview 2707 South 140th Street

March Results

High: Jackie Berdine & Monica Clark 4350 2nd: Celeste Giery & Carole Thompson 4200 3rd: Linda Nelson & Carolyn Will 3620

Monica Clark

BOWLING

Bowling will continue through the winter. To join in the fun call **Cheryl Rath**

BOOK CLUB

3rd Friday, April 19th, 9:30 AM The Garden Café - Rockbrook Village 108th & West Center Road

Book: The Lost German Slave Girl Author: John Bailey We will be discussing next years book list. Please bring your suggestions. Questions Juanita Hammen

STITCH & CHAT

Last Wednesday, April 24th 1 00 PM - 3:00 PM

Hostess: Barbara Thompson

Everyone invited! Come and enjoy an afternoon with good friends, fun crafts, lots of goodies and fellowship. Also please notify your hostess if you are coming or not. Any questions: **Pat Bond** or **Dolores Hughes**.

THE LUNCH BUNCH - A Gourmet Dinning Club

1st Wednesday, April 3rd, 12:00 Noon

Hostess: **Tina Kirby**, A second group can be formed if there is enough interest. Contact Pat if you would be interested in being part of a second Gourmet Lunch Group. Questions or to sign-up to become a sub, contact Pat Goodyear.

April 2019										
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
	1 Bowling	2 10:00 Welcoming Coffee Round Robin Marathon	3 12:00 Lunch Bunch 6:30 Evening Bunco	4	5	6				
	April Fools Day									
7 1:45 Social - Lofte Community Theatre	8 Bowling	9 11:30 Fashion Show	10 11:00 Bridge	11	12	13				
14	15 Bowling	16 10:00 Board Meeting 11:45 Birthday Bash	17 9:30 Morning Bunco	18	19 9:30 Book Club	20				
Palm Sunday					Good Friday	Passover				
21	22 Bowling	23 Gadabouts	24 1:00 Stitch & Chat	25	26	27				
Easter Sunday	Earth Day				Arbor Day	Last Day of Passover				
28	29 Bowling	30								

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