

Metro Women's Club

Just Between Friends

NEWSLETTER

October 2020
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Friendship

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi Ladies!

We are having a beautiful weather week! But soon the temperature will get cooler, and stay that way until winter. We are treated to an array of leaves changing to fall colors that I look forward to every year!

The picnic on Tuesday at Chalco Hills was a great time had by all. The weather certainly cooperated, and we enjoyed listening to our guest speaker, Officer Richard Gonzalez from our charity, P.A.C.E. (Police Athletics for Community Engagement) for youth.

An event coming up on October 20 after our Board Meeting is the return of Birthday Bash at Garden Cafe in Rockbrook. The owner said they have updated their air circulation system, sanitize after every customer and we would have our own entrance on the West side. We have reserved their biggest room, which seats 80 people, so there will be plenty of space to social distance. Look for details in this newsletter. The Omaha mandate on masks will still be in place, so please remember to wear yours!

Also coming up is something new. October has been designated as donation month, since we are not having a Silent Auction then. Something fun is a Fantasy Dining Out. Details are in this newsletter. Stay well!

-Chris

SPRING SOCIAL AND GAME DAY CHAIRPERSON NEEDED FOR 2021

We are still looking for a Spring Social & Game Day Committee Chairperson(s)! March 2021, which is when we normally would have it, is replaced by Silent Auction for next year only. **We are hoping to have it the fall of 2021 so you would have plenty of time to prepare with your volunteers.** You will be guided and helped though this event. It's one of our main fundraisers! Please consider! If interested, please contact Christ Sagenbrecht.

GARAGE SALE TOTALS

What a great start to our fund-raising efforts. You lovely ladies, with your purchases and donations, raised **\$770.50 from our Annual Garage Sale and Picnic.** This amount will be added to our Charity Fund which goes to P.A.C.E. this year. Congratulations, this is the most ever raised from our Garage Sale.

DINE & DONATE (Baker's Community Rewards Program)

Our charity, Police Athletics for Community Engagement, is officially registered with Baker's now.

If you are already signed up with your Bakers card:

1. Sign onto the link <http://www.bakersplus.com>
2. At the bottom of the page click on Community Rewards.
3. Authenticate your info
4. Under Donation summary click Change charity.
5. Type in either Police Athletics for Community Engagement or VH614.

If not registered:

1. Go to link <http://www.bakersplus.com>
 2. Create account which requires basic information, email and number on Bakers card (if you don't have a card, they are available at the Customer Service counter).
 3. Click on Community Rewards.
 4. Designate charity by Police Athletics for Community Engagement or VH614
- Sarah Chula and Jerri Cone, Dine & Donate Chairpersons

CARDS

If any of our members need a card of Cheer, Get Well, Congratulations or Sympathy sent, please contact Linda Nelson so a card can be sent out to them.

SODA CAN TABS

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

October 2020

VIRTUAL FANTASY DINNING OUT - 2nd TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13th , OR ANY OTHER VIRTUAL DATE.

October is designated a month of giving for our charity P.A.C.E (Police Athletics for Community). We will all miss being together for one of our major fund raisers the Silent Auction - so a fun option for giving could be "A Fantasy Dinning Out." Of course, you won't really get anything to eat unless you make something yourself or get take out. This is just a fun way to give to this year's charity. See "This & That Tidbits" column for the menu and order form.

BOARD MEETING - 3rd TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 10:00 AM

At: **Garden Café at Rockbrook, 11040 Oak Street, 402-393-0252**

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, must be submitted at or before the Board Meeting in order for the Newsletter to go to print. Thank you, Ladies.

BIRTHDAY BASH - 3rd TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 11:45 AM

At: **Garden Café at Rockbrook, 11040 Oak Street, 402-393-0252**

All members are welcome to come, not just the Birthday Gals. This will be immediately following our Boards Meeting. **We will have a private room that seats 80 people**, so we will have room to spread out. The owner has put in a **new ventilation system in that room**. Also, **we will have our own entrance on the West side of the building** so not necessary to go through the main entrance. If you would like to attend call LouAnn Norton or Rosemary Bliss.

GADABOUTS - 4th TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27th, CARPOOL 11:00AM, LUNCH 12:00 AM

At: **Master's Hand, 3599 County Road "F", Tekamah, NE 402-374-2003**

Carpool: 11:00 AM, Family Fare, 14444 West Center Road

Lunch: Master's Hand. Menu is determined daily, Choice of \$14.00 or \$20.00 menu

Questions, contact Doris Helfrich.

MORE INFORMATION

CRITICAL NEEDS FOR FOSTER CARE PROGRAM

Unfortunately, there are children in the Omaha Metro area that are placed into Foster Care. When these children are taken from their homes they have no luggage, totes or back packs to put their belongings into - other than "black garbage bags". St Francis Services, 3311 North 93rd Street and Child Saving Institute at 4545 Dodge Street is requesting donations of luggage, totes etc. You can drop off these items at either location for the children that are placed into Foster Care. It's already traumatizing to be taken from your home without your belongs being placed into a garbage bag. They need your help.

ASSISTANT TREASURER

I would like the club to know how much I treasured my Assistant Treasurer Sandy House. She has done a phenomenal job these last two years. Many, many, times she stepped up and did more than her share, especially during my time away from my duties. It saddens me that she has stepped down as Assistant Treasurer. We will continue to look forward to seeing her at MWC's functions. Pat Bond has volunteered to become the new Assistant Treasurer. Thank you, Sandy for all your hard work. Thank you, Pat for coming on board.

Your Treasurer,

- Jean Cully.

I've had the privilege to plan our Gad-Abouts this past year and a half for Metro Women's Club. Our largest group of gals went to see the Cloisters on the Platte last Spring. What a gorgeous setting! Everyone should take the time to go visit it. We have been lucky to find outdoor settings to attend this Summer with COVID. Last month was a fun trip to see the beautiful Sunken Gardens and Backyard Farmers Test Gardens in Lincoln. Our September trip of 2020 will be visiting James Arthur Winery. Who can resist a Wine Tasting ?? Hope you could join us on the 4th Tuesday of September !!. What a wonderful group of friendly, fun, gals in Metro Women's Club.

- Doris Helfrich

Hi Ladies,

I am Metro Women's Club Coffee Chair Person. It's me Bert Harrifeld. I have the privilege to set-up coffees for our new members. These coffees are the first Tuesday in the months of August, November, February and April. I arrange a host and 2 co-hostesses for these coffees.

Invitations are sent out inviting our new members to attend the coffees. Such a fun time for us to meet new members and our new members to get acquainted with us. The food is always delicious.

Due to this bug called COVID-19 we have not been able to have these coffees. Our new members are very important to us. Hopefully we will be able to have these coffees soon.

This quote reminds me of me: "Instant human just add coffee". Then I can start my morning.

THE PERSONALS

October 2020

NEW MEMBERS (138 members)

No new members in October

CHANGES / CORRECTION (DIRECTORY)

Connie Konecny new address

Joann Wellsandt email change

YOU'VE GOT MAIL

Dear friends,

Thank you for reaching out to me in so many caring ways after my kidney surgery to remove a tumor. I appreciate your many kindnesses.

- Pat Tonar

LUNCHEON RAFFLE WINNERS

Margi Vice, Judy Coonts, Jean Cully, Pam Ross, Marcelene Lewis, Diane Dobrinska, Bert Harrifeld, Chris Sagenbrecht, Sarah Chvala, Peggy Christ.

THINKING ABOUT YOU

Lois Lentz - Thinking of You, follow-up on fall and tests.

Bobbie Montequin - Thinking of You, fall.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

NIGHT BUNCO

1st Wednesday, October 7th, 6:30 PM

Hostess: **ON HOLD**

Results:

Most Wins:

Most Buncos:

Most Losses:

Door Prize:

If you are interested in being a sub please call **Diane Dobrinska**

DAY BUNCO

3rd Wednesday, October 21st,
9:30 AM

Hostess: **ON HOLD**

Results:

Most Wins:

Most Buncos:

Most Losses:

Door Prize:

If interested in being a sub in this group, please call **Diane Dobrinska**

GOLF

Golf has ended for the winter. If you are interested in joining for next Spring call **Pat Bird**

BRIDGE

2nd Wednesday, October 14th,

11:00AM **ON HOLD**

Boys Town Cafeteria & Visitor Center

13603 Flanagan Drive

\$1.00 to play, Lunch & Tip

To play or questions call:

Anna Nelson or Carol Fox

Results:

High:

2nd:

3rd:

Low:

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

ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE

1st Tuesday, October 6th, 11:30AM

Red Lobster, Oakview

2707 South 140th Street (Oakview Dr)

ON HOLD

Results:

1st:

2nd:

3rd:

Celeste Giery

BOOK CLUB - YES

3rd Friday, October 16th, 9:30 AM

Garden Café, 11040 Oak Street,

Book: *Where the Crawdads Sing*

Author: Delia Owens

Everyone welcome with masks

Questions: **Juanita Hammen**

STITCH & CHAT

Last Wednesday, October 28th,

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Hostess: **ON HOLD**

Hopefully life will be back to almost normal but lets be cautious. We'll see all of you..

Any question, call

Pat Bond or Dolores Hughes

CINEMA CHICKS - ON HOLD

2nd Thursday, October 8th

Call to get your name put on the list for notification. Chris

MAH JONGG - ON HOLD

Mah Jongg is on hold until groups are less susceptible to the coronavirus.

Contact Betty Delavan if you are interested in joining or wish to learn how to play.

Questions or to join call **Betty Delavan**

DINNING INN - YES

THE LUNCH BUNCH - A Gourmet Dinning Club

1st Wednesday, October 7th, 12:00 Noon

Hostess: **Connie Stilwell,**

NOON DELIGHTS - A Gourmet Dinning Club

2nd Monday, October 5th, 12:00 Noon (Change due to Labor Day)

Hostess: **Bert Harrifeld,**

Questions or to sign-up to become a sub, contact **Pat Goodyear,**

BIRTHDAY GALS

Darlene Gaeta	October 2	Pat Bond	October 11	Peggy Christ	October 17
Judy Mumm	October 2	Judy Petersen	October 11	Connie Gibb	October 22
Connie Stilwell	October 4	Jackie Berdine	October 13	Phyllis Leaver	October 22
Jan Nielsen	October 5	Carole Thompson	October 14	Barbara Bykowski	October 23
Nancy Epstein	October 6	Judy Coonts	October 16	Karen Saunders	October 23
Monica Clark	October 9	Kay Porter	October 16	Carolyn Hall	October 28

Happy Birthday Ladies

October 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 12:00 Noon Delights - YES	6 11:30AM Round Robin ROBIN ON HOLD	7 12:00 PM Lunch Bunch - YES 6:30 PM Evening Bunco BUNCO ON HOLD	8 Cinema Chicks CINEMA ON HOLD	9	10
11	12	13 11:30 AM Virtual Luncheon - YES	14 11:00 AM Bridge BRIDGE ON HOLD	15	16 9:30 AM Book Club - YES	17
18	19	20 10:00 AM Board Meeting - YES 11:45 AM Birthday Bash - YES	21 9:30 AM Morning Bunco BUNCO ON HOLD	22	23	24
25	26	27 11:00 AM Gadabouts - YES	28 1:00 Stitch & Chat STITCH ON HOLD	29	30	31

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Here is your
Metro Women's Club
Newsletter

METRO WOMEN'S CLUB FANTASY MENU

STARTERS

Nanna's Famous Bruschetta: *A tantalizing mixture of crisp fresh basil, heirloom tomatoes, flavorful garlic, capers, and hand-grated cheese on grilled toast points.* \$10

Strawberry, Spinach and Endive Salad *with toasted pistachios and tangy bleu cheese. Perfect for the discriminating palate and generally picky eaters.* \$15

Caesar Salad with Garlic Croutons: *Farm fresh romaine lettuce dressed with lemony Caesar topping. Fresh cracked black pepper and shaved Parmesan available.* \$10

Lobster Bisque Soup: *This classic French favorite is smooth and creamy with big chunks of garlic butter lobster tails in every bite! A lobster bib is required.* \$20

MAIN COURSE

Heavenly Chicken Marsala: *Organic range-free chicken breasts bathed in a succulent mushroom and wine marinade. Served with white cheddar mashed potatoes and fresh Aksarben farmers' market vegetables. Chickens walk among you for you to choose.* \$20

Nebraska Prime Filet Mignon: *Gibbon Beef aged to perfection and grilled at your table to your specifications. Served with locally grown roasted potatoes, and honey glazed carrots. Choice of topping available but who needs them!* \$40

Charcoal Grilled Alaskan Salmon *served on a bed of couscous and bathed in champagne butter sauce. Accompanied by fresh organic blackberries picked by Grecian gods. Not recommended for outdoor eating if bears are in the neighborhood.* \$50

I am Not Hungry Burger: *2 oz. low fat patty on a thin crispy bun embellished with thin tomato slice and a fresh lettuce leaf. Sorry—no mayo or fries for you this time.* \$5

DESSERTS

Raspberry Cheesecake: *Raspberry glaze swirled into creamy white chocolate cheesecake topped with fresh raspberries. Guaranteed to fit any diet plan (if proportioned into 365 slices).* \$15

Zesty Crème Brûlée with Caramelized Oranges: *This silky and elegant custard is the perfect ending to a perfect excessively extravagant and expensive meal.* \$10

Rich and Fudgy Chocolate Lava Cake *topped with homemade vanilla bean ice cream from Ted and Wally's and drizzled with imported Belgian chocolate.* \$20

WINE LIST & BEVERAGE MENU

Little Piggy Market Chardonnay, 2015 – an elegantly complex cherry and sweet anise with dusty sage notes, pairs well with chicken and fish. Glass \$17 Bottle \$60

Red Riding Hood Cabernet 2017 – an expressive briary raspberry with pepper overtones, pairs well with Filet Mignon. Glass \$5 Bottle \$10

Beer – Too numerous to list, pick your price, we'll pick a beer: \$5 \$10 \$15 \$20 \$25 \$30

Coffee/Tea \$10 **Colas** \$15

Water-melted from the Polar Ice Caps \$20, with lemon \$25

Hard Liquor – BYOB Setup \$10

Fantasy Dining Out – A unique charity giving opportunity.

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Choose what you'd like to eat for yourself and your guests.

Place it on the order form below.

Total - then make the check out to Metro Woman's Club and send it to the treasurer: Jean Cully

Since you won't actually get anything, it is all tax deductible. A receipt will be mailed to your home.

You might want to order food in honor of someone's birthday, an anniversary, a special occasion or a memorial. Please write up who you are honoring and mail it with your check - we would love to publish news of your dining event in the newsletter.

What you Should Know About P.A.C.E. (Police Athletics for Community Engagement). The primary goal is to build stronger relationships between neighborhoods and the officers patrolling them. At a time of "pay to play" athletics, inner city and at-risk youth are left out of these character building activities. P.A.C.E. is dedicated to offering athletics opportunities to at risk youth free of charge. No one is turned away. Core values are R.E.S.P.E.C.T. (Reliability, Enthusiasm, Sportsmanship, Positive Attitude, Education, Commitment, and Teamwork). In 2005, Latino Officer Tony, concerned about South Omaha youth, organized six soccer teams. By 2016 over 1000 kids participated and in 2019 over 5800. Officers and teams are all over Omaha. By 2016 when P.A.C.E. was officially organized, South Omaha graffiti had decreased 97%, gangs decreased 77% and shootings were down over 70%.

Programs have expanded to girls soccer and baseball, CrossFit training, KOPS law enforcement educational training camps, ACT prep classes, flag football, and cooperation with after school programs. Projections for 2020 were to reach 6000 kids, but the pandemic has brought additional costs. 98.5% of their budget comes from fundraising.

Fantasy Dining Out Order Form: See reverse side for menu

Starter(s): _____	\$ _____
Main(s): _____	\$ _____
Dessert(s) _____	\$ _____
Drink Choices _____	\$ _____
Plus Tip _____	\$ _____
Total \$ _____	

Make check out to Metro Woman's Club -
Send to treasurer:
Jean Cully,

Don't forget to include a write up about an event if you choose, love to put it in the newsletter.