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Dear Metro Women's Club Members

Spring is almost here and so are all the wonderful things MWC has planned for Spring. Please join us for our Spring Social and Game Day to be held Tuesday, March 12, at Arbor Hall. It is always such a fun event and one of our major fundraisers for our charity this year, Least of My Brethren.

I just wanted to thank you all for the pop can collection for Least of My Brethren. We collected two carloads of cans. Great job ladies. Mother Teresa said, "I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the water to create many ripples." Collecting these cans was casting a stone across the water.

Thank you, ladies, for all you do for our club and our community. *Mary Beth Manninger, President*

FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON—TUESDAY, APRIL 9TH

We need models for our Fashion Show. We are having our Luncheon at The Players Club at Deer Creek and Chico's will provide the fashions. Would you enjoy being one of our models? It will be lots of fun! Please think about joining us as a model for this special Luncheon Fashion Show!

Please contact **Carolyn Will or Celeste Giery**.

DINE & DONATE

Thank you ladies for coming out February 6th to Texas Roadhouse for our Dine and Donate event. Not only did we have a great meal with great friends, but we were blessed to raise \$160 for Least of My Brethren. Thank you for caring and supporting in so many ways.

CARDS

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

EARLY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL BEGINS

Starting in March we will begin taking membership dues for our fiscal year of 2024-2025. Dues will be **\$30.00**. Normally membership renewals start in May and are considered past due June 1st. Because of our "Membership Moratorium" we want to give our members plenty of opportunities to be timely with their dues. Members paying June 1st or later will be put on a waiting list. Only after our membership roles go below 200 will the Club consider adding members again. So let's put your renewal on your to-do list!!! There will be a table set up at our Spring Social And Game Day where you can pay your dues and also verify your contact information for our Directory. To avoid confusion, **please make your check amount for dues only**, do not include the cost of luncheons or charity. You may also mail your check for **\$30.00**, payable to MWC.

MEMBERSHIP

Please help us keep our membership information up to date! If you have moved, changed your email address or phone number, you can let us know by completing "Change of Address" section of the Metro Women's Club website. The following link will take you directly to the form. [www. Metrowomensclub.org/change-of-address.html](http://www.Metrowomensclub.org/change-of-address.html) If you have any questions, please contact Marcelene Lewis. Thank you!

MERIT AWARDS

We appreciate the special things that each and every one of you bring to our club. Once a year we recognize a current member of our club for their dedication and leadership with the Merit Award. Now we ask for your help in recognizing a member who you find deserving of this year's Merit Award. A list of past recipients is found in the Membership Directory. Please give this some thought and send your nomination along with a description of her contributions to Cindy Carlson or Karen Saunders by April 23rd. A team will review the candidates and the award will be given at the May luncheon.

SPRING GAME DAY

Ladies they are in need of the name of the person who donated the Peggy Karr birthday plate. Please contact Jean Cully. Thank you.

For more information
regarding
Metro Women's Club
please contact:
Marcelene Lewis
New Membership/
Renewals Director

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2024

CHICK CHICK HOORAY—SPRING SOCIAL & GAME DAY 2nd TUESDAY March 12th 11:00 am Social 12:00 pm Lunch
At: Arbor Hall, 14040 Arbor Street, Omaha, NE

Please **do not** call to make reservations, or to cancel reservation – call: Jean Cully Listed below. This is a pay ahead event, deadline March 1, 2024.

Menu: Herb Crusted Chicken Breast, Asiago cream mashed potatoes, Sauteed Veggies, Salad with dressings, rolls, cupcake, coffee, tea or water. (Cash bar is available)

Cost: \$22.00 per person includes lunch, taxes and tip. Must be prepaid by March 1st. Cash or Check only, we are unable to accept credit cards.

Callers: Are not responsible for making calls for this luncheon, reservations are made with Jean Cully and mail a check (made out to MWC) to Jean Cully. For further information see Spring Social and Game Day section in this newsletter.

Parking: Ladies carpooling is recommended for this event, parking is limited.

BOARD MEETING 3rd Tuesday March 19th 10:00am

At: Millard Branch Omaha Public Library, 13214 Westwood Lane, Millard

Board Members, Committee Chairpersons, Socials and Special Events Chairpersons and all Special Interest Activities Chairperson are expected to attend the Board Meeting. If unable to attend, you may call or email your information **prior** to the Board Meeting to: Denise Shroyer and Linda Cisar.

BIRTHDAY BASH 3rd Tuesday March 19th 11:45am ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

At: Brazen Head Irish Pub, 319 N. 78th Street, Omaha

Call or text Rosemary or LouAnn to make reservations or sign up at Social Noon Luncheon

Birthday Bash Co-Chairs: Rosemary Bliss & LouAnn Norton

GAD-A-BOOTS 4th Tuesday March 26th

Carpool will meet at the family fare parking lot at 144th/Center at 9:45 to depart at 10:00am.

We will be having a Union Station Guided tour at the Durham this month. The tour begins at 10:30am. Membership does NOT apply to this tour. A minimum of ten is required. Ticket cost per person is \$13.90 per person.

We will depart the Durham at roughly 11:30 to go to Jams for lunch.

Chairperson: Tricia Weathers

FUTURE EVENTS

WELCOME COFFEE 1st Tuesday April 2nd ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME

Hostess: Sarah Chvala, Co-hostesses: Sue O'Dell and Betty Delavan

Chairperson: Bert Harrifeld

FASHION SHOW 2nd Tuesday April 9th

Please mark your calendar for our Fashion Show Luncheon! See Page 1 for more information

MWC GARAGE SALE Thursday, Friday and Saturday May 9th-10th, 8am-5pm and May 11th 8am-3pm

Diane Scheppers, Stone Creek Addition

The Garage Sale will be on May 9th, 10th and 11th in conjunction with the Stone Creek Garage Sale. This will be a Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Garage Sale items can be dropped off between April 29th and May 4th at any of three locations:

Please call before dropping off at any of the locations, do not just drop your items on the doorstep of any of the locations.

We will accept any garage sale donations that are useable. Clothing should be clean. Large items must be dropped off at Garage Sale location between April 29th-May 4th. All items that are not sold will be donated to a charitable

organization. We are asking for volunteers to help set up, bring the Garage Sale committee lunch, and many other positions, please contact Pat Goodyear to get signed up. We will be staging, pricing, and setting up on May 5th-May 8th from

9:00 am to 5:00pm (or later if need be). Please call Pat Goodyear if you would like to volunteer and what hours you are available. The success of this Garage Sale is a joint effort with the committee and MWC members. All proceeds will be given to **LEAST OF MY BRETHEN** at a future luncheon.

Committee Members: Pat Goodyear, Tricia Weathers, Diane Scheppers, Darlene Gaeta, Marcelene Lewis and Denise Shroyer

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL, MERIT AWARD, SERVICE PINS—MAY 2024

SILENT AUCTION: pre-planning stage for October 8, 2024 at Arbor Hall. Ladies, just a reminder that we will be ramping up plans for the fall Silent Auction as soon as Game Day is over. As you take your winter trips, shop seasonal merchandise, or attend spring craft fairs, feel free to pick up any item that you think would be fun to add to an auction basket. Never too soon to start!

LET'S GO PLACES (See other pages in the newsletter for more trips and information)

Travel Committee has secured **September 12-13, 2024** for a **Mississippi riverboat cruise**. This was well received in June, so decided to offer it again. Reservation of \$50 per person to CeCe Carlson to hold you space. The total cost of \$399 includes 2 days on the river, all meals, and overnight accommodations in Dubuque IA. Questions to CeCe .

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

March 2024

<p>EVENING BUNCO 1st Wednesday, March 6th 6:30pm Hostess: Peggy Reibold</p> <p>NOTE: 6:30 pm Start time New Address for Peggy</p> <p>Results from February Most Wins: Pat Bond Most Buncos: Tricia Weathers Low Score: Sharon Duignan Door Prize(s): Diane Dobrinska, Connie Gibb & Peggy Reibold</p> <p>We have a full roster in this group, new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on our sub list call: Diana Dobrinska</p>	<p>BRIDGE 2nd Wednesday, March 13th 11:00 am Zio's Pizzeria, 12997 West Center Road</p> <p>Results from February 1st: Monica Clark 2nd: Rosemary Bliss 3rd: Pat Bond 4th: Carole Thompson</p> <p>NOTE: Anna Nelson out of town in March,. Carole Thompson has graciously agreed to fill in as hostess for March.</p> <p>Questions or to add your name to the sub list, contact Anna Nelson</p>	<p>ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE 1st Tuesday, March 5th 11:30 am Red Lobster, Oakview (Bar Area) 2702 S. 140th Street, Omaha</p> <p>Results from February Mary Lou Jambor & Mary Beth Manninger 3680 Donna Arit & Sandy House 3300 Margaret Baier & Luanne Colbert 2680</p> <p>If you want to play contact Celeste Giery</p>
<p>MORNING BUNCO 3rd Wednesday, March 20th 9:30 am Hostess: Shirley Raleigh</p> <p>Results from February Most Wins: Marcelene Lewis Most Buncos: Janice Japp Low Score: Jerri Cone Door Prize(s): Shirley Raleigh, Patricia Thompson, Peggy Reibold, Sue Selde</p> <p>We have a full roster in this group, new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on our sub list call: Diana Dobrinska</p>	<p>CINEMA CHICKS 4th Friday, March 22nd</p> <p>The next movie day is Friday, March 22nd. Please watch your email that week for movie and lunch selection. I will always take suggestions for a cinema that you'd like to see!</p> <p>Any comments or questions, text or call Chris Sagenbrecht</p>	<p>LUNCH TIME BUNCO 2nd Friday, March 8th 11:00 am Hostess: Cella Best</p> <p>Results from February Most Wins: Kelli Barager Most Buncos: Deborah Jones Low Score: Amy Feidler Door Prize: Sue Stingley</p> <p>If Interested in this group, new subs are always welcome. Contact: Linda Davis</p>
<p>BOOK CLUB 3rd Friday, March 15th 9:30 am Abrams Branch Omaha Public Library 5111 N. 90th Street, Omaha</p> <p>We are one month behind since one month was cancelled.</p> <p>Book: THE HUSBAND'S SECRET Author: Liane Moriarty</p> <p>Questions: Juanita Hammen</p>	<p>AMERICAN MAH JONGG 2nd and 4th Thursday 1:00 pm March 14th & 28th</p> <p>Contact Sue for lessons or game site. Observers are welcome!!</p> <p>Sue Odell or Betty Delavan</p>	<p>STITCH & CHAT Last Wednesday, 1:00—3:00 pm March 27th Hostess: Pat Bond</p> <p>Pat Bond or Dolores Hughes</p>
<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB - NOON DELIGHTS—1st Monday March 4th 12:00 pm Hostess: Louanne Colbert</p>	<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB - DINING DIVAS—3rd Monday March 18th 12:00 pm Hostess: Cindy Carlson</p>	<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB - LUNCH BUNCH—3rd Wednesday March 20th 12:30 pm Hostess: Doris Helfrich</p>
<p>IMAGINE WRITERS GROUP 3rd Thursday—March 21st 10:00 am Hostess: Jean Cully</p> <p>Chairperson: Jean Cully Group is closed, wait list at this time.</p>	<p>DOMINOES 1st Tuesday March 5th - 1:00 pm Hostess: Tricia Weathers 6811 N. 162nd St, Omaha</p> <p>Call or text Tricia Weather to sign-up</p>	<p>SOCIAL HOUR 1st Thursday, March 7th 3:00 pm Rojo Mexican Grill 17010 Wright Plaza (Shops at Legacy)</p> <p>Please RSVP by March 5th to Chairperson: Darlene Palmer</p>
<p>LET'S GO PLACES Look for more information on other pages in this newsletter</p>	<p>NEW WALKING CLUB 2nd & 4th Monday March 11th & 25th Contact Diane Stein for more information</p>	<p>GOLF Please contact Roberta Courter if interested in joining the league. Golf meets each Friday morning Spring to Fall. Golf has ended but if you would like to sign up for Spring please contact Roberta.</p>

THE PERSONALS

NEW MEMBERS (220)

There is a waitlist at this time, will refer to after membership renewal in May 2024.

CORRECTIONS/CHANGES

Deann Zens, Birthday is 05/17

Denise Swanson, phone

Judy Witherspoon, address and phone

RAFFLE WINNERS

Stephanie Griger, Sandie Simpson, Barb Thompson, Shirley Raleigh, Dorris Heaston, Joyce Brownwell, MaryBeth Manniger, Jan Nielsen, Barb Bures, Kay Porter, Darlene Palmer, Linda Cisar, Phyllis Weckerlin, Pat Goodyear, Judy Mumm, Linda Davis

THANK YOU so much for the warm reception to my presentation about the Nebraska Veterans Memorial and my experience as a Red Cross Donut Dolly. You were a great audience.

Dorris Heaston

THINKING ABOUT YOU

Lori Briggs-Husband's health

Mary Beth Manninger-Husband's health

Shirley Raleigh-Cataract surgery

Geri Backora-Knee surgery

Becky Waldon-COVID

Janet Pennington Family-memorial for her passing

Carole Thompson-Son's health

Celeste Giery-Husband's health

Sue O'Dell-Fell, broke knee cap

Cindy Popp-COVID

JANET PENNINGTON PASSED AWAY

Janet Pennington, 64, passed away at her home in Springfield NE on February 13th. Janet was a MWC member and friend since 2022. Our deepest sympathies go out to Janet's family and friends. Funeral Home Bethany Funeral Home, LaVista. Visitation February 24th, 9:30-10:30, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Send Flowers. To plant trees in memory, please visit the [Sympathy Store](#).

BIRTHDAY GALS

Rebecca Waldron	03/01	Sheri Dunbar	03/08	Helen Bartee	03/09	Linda Dawes	03/09
Annie Sedlacek	03/13	Stephanie Griger	03/14	Sharon Price	03/14	Linda Johnson	03/15
Betty Delavan	03/16	JoAnn Wellsandt	03/16	Donna Arlt	03/18	Nancy Marks	03/22
Janis Keim	03/25	Karen Lidstrand	03/25	Lorraine Mines	03/25	Mary Ellen Eglseder	03/27
Lori Briggs	03/30	Joan Koneck-Wilcox	03/31				

HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES!

SPRING SOCIAL & GAME DAY, March 12, 2024 11:00 AM Social 12:00 Lunch At: Arbor Hall, 24040 Arbor Street, Omaha, NE "Chick Chick Hooray" Spring Social and Game Day is here. If you have not done so already, invite friends and get your paid reservation in for this event. All reservations of \$22 for your lunch must be prepaid. Individual attendees are welcomed. Tables will be available for you to join in the fun if paid ahead. Deadline for payment is March 1, 2024. At the event Raffle tickets may be purchased one for \$10.00 or three for \$25.00. Cash or Check only, we are unable to accept credit cards. All proceeds will go to our charity, Least of Our Brethren. If you have any questions, you may call a chairperson to help with your query. Send reservation form, with money to Jean Cully, 711 N. 92nd Ct. Omaha, NE 68114. Over 100 Raffle Items will be there ready for you to win. The Raffle Items include but are not limited to: Hand Painted Wine Glasses, Gift Cards to some of your favorite restaurants (Bonefish Grill, Charlie's on the Lake, Red Lobster, Mama's Pizza, and Zio's) and other gifts and gift cards such as The Loft Theatre, The Durham Museum, Children's Museum, and Rotella's to name just a few. Of course, the Money Tree will have money prizes that can also be picked as Raffle Prizes. In addition, there will be a few items for written bids. Please come and have fun and help make money for Least of Our Brethren. **Chairman Jean Cully, Co-Chairs: Mary Ellen Anderson, Rosemary Bliss, Connie Gibb, Doris Helfrich, Judy Mumm, Judy Petersen, Kay Porter, Doris Toole and Tricia Weathers.**

NEWSLETTER CRISIS??

Have you been out and about and needed some information that is in your MWC Newsletter, but you don't have your Newsletter with you??? Did you accidentally delete or lose your Newsletter?? Or, did you want to share your Newsletter with a prospective new member but your Newsletter is at home? Maybe you did not receive your monthly Newsletter?? Go to the website on your phone or computer. Yes, go to metrowomensclub.org and click on the tab "Newsletter" then click the current month. Our webmaster normally posts our Newsletters the 3rd Sunday of each month (the Sunday after the Board Meeting). The only change from the Newsletters that are mailed/emailed to you is the absence of personal information, i.e. member's phone numbers and addresses. This is done to protect your privacy because our website is accessible to everyone. There is also a printer icon in the upper right corner where you can also print your Newsletter. So don't panic...Just click!

CALLERS

MWC Ladies, we are in need of callers for our monthly luncheons. Please call either Karen Saunders or Cindy Carlson for more information or to add your name to the list. Thank you.

LET'S GO PLACES

Let's Go Places Travel Group is planning a 6 day bus tour to Mackinac Island and Door County Michigan on September 14th with return on September 19th.

We will be travelling with the Moostash Joe Tour company, which consistently gets rave reviews. If you want **more information on details**, click on the following link. <https://www.mjtours.com/wp-content/Mackinac-Island-autumn-tour-4-2024.pdf> This will give you details on daily itinerary, meals included each day, and hotels. You will also see the price of \$1,399 per person, after the early discount deposit. You will receive a full refund if you notify the company within 24 hrs of departure.

When you are **ready to book your trip**, click on this link: <https://www.mjtours.com/wpcontent/uploads/Reservation-Form-AND-General-Tour-Information.pdf> You will need to print out the form to complete, then send to Moostash Joe office in Fremont with your check for \$100 per person down payment. This down payment and registration is due by **JULY 1st**. As you complete this form, be sure to indicate the tour name – Mackinac Island Autumn #4 – as well as who you will be rooming with, if you know. **ALSO IMPORTANT...** To complete the question on "Other passengers I will be travelling with" insert METRO WOMEN'S GROUP. We have 30 seats reserved on this tour so be sure to indicate you are with our group. Spouses and friends are welcome!!! Please send me a quick email letting me know that you have registered, and who you are travelling with. Thanks! If you have any questions at all during the next few months, please call Cindy Carlson .

We are again working with Travel Cat Tours to offer several **motorcoach trips**. Planned trips include:

- Nebraska Czech Capital, Wilber NE July 15th, \$97 per person
- Loess Hills Fall Foliage, NE Iowa October 17th, \$95 per person
- Holiday Shopping Kansas City November 19-20th Details coming

We're considering offering several others and will ask for feedback at March luncheon.

- Saints and Sinners, Atkinson and Leavenworth KS July 30th \$125 pp
- Sweets and Speed, Lincoln NE August 28th \$110 pp
- Bridges, Blooms and Goats, Madison IA Date tbd \$125 pp
- Amish of Nebraska, Date tbd \$120 pp

POP CAN TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Ladies the holidays are coming & the social time is here, please collect the can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Margi Vice is collecting them.

FACEBOOK

Members remember to take pictures of your events and submit them to Darlene Gaeta for our private Facebook page, If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Gaeta



METRO WOMEN'S CLUB

2nd ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

May 9th — 11th 8:00AM to 5:00PM (Except Saturday)

3 fabulous Days

Thursday, Friday and Saturday

Stone Creek Addition

Most valued items to donate to our garage sale

Hand Tools, Power Tools	Clean Stuffed Animals	Jewelry	Kitchen Appliances
Lawn and garden items	Electronics	Purses	Camping Gear
Camping / Fishing gear	Home Decor	Clothing, Adult & Children	Plants
Games	Art	Furniture	Collectables
Vintage Dishes, Glassware	Sports Equipment	Sun Glasses	Kitchenware
Toys, Bikes, Scooters	Exercise Equipment	Small Chairs	Books

If you have questions about a donation, please call Pat Goodyear our Garage Sale Coordinator

This is our second effort to have a garage sale that is open to the public. Start looking for those items that you would like to donate to our Garage Sale. We will also need volunteers to help with set-up, staging, bagging, etc. Let's make this garage sale dynamic !!! More info to follow in our Newsletter about drop off addresses and dates.

WANT TO START A NEW ACTIVITY??

Call Mary Beth Manninger to discuss starting a new activity, board game, or card game etc. We Love new activity!

MARCH 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Noon Delights	5 Marathon Bridge Dominoes	6 Evening Bunco	7 Social Hour	8 Lunch Time Bunco	9
10 <i>Daylight Savings Clocks Forward</i>	11 <i>Walking Club</i>	12 Luncheon	13 Bridge	14 Mahjonn	15 Book Club	16
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