



# Metro Women's Club

*Just Between Friends*

## NEWSLETTER

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November 2024

### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy Fall to all you-

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**O**-maha

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'Tis the season for "warm" fuzzies and Pumpkin Spice! I love this time of year! First and foremost, I want to congratulate our amazing Silent Auction crew under the leadership of Sarah Chvala! What an amazing day of fellowship, fun, food and festivities. All your hard work certainly brought an overwhelmingly, successful outcome, benefitting our 2024-2025 Charity- Project Pink'd.

Secondly, as our calendars moves on, we have more fun events coming up! Right around the corner on October 22nd is a Gadabouts Tour of the Nebraska Veterans' Memorial in Papillion guided by our "own" Doris Heaston. Another date coming soon is our Quarterly Coffee on November 5th at the home of Denise Shroyer. And, be sure to also mark your calendar for our Holiday Gift Exchange on December 3rd! Do keep your Newsletter handy for dates, times and locations – along with the contact chairperson connected with an event.

In the meantime stay warm and enjoy the beautiful changing of leaves.

Happy Fall and Happy Halloween to all you lovely BOO girls in MWC. *Rosemary Bliss, Co-President*

### DINE AND DONATE

Ladies, just catching up the report from our Dine and Donate event at Vino Mas on September 16th. Thanks to those of you who were able to attend. We were able to raise \$160 for our charity Project Pink'd.

### SILENT AUCTION

Dear Metro Women's Club Ladies,

Your Silent Auction Team can't thank you enough for your generous gifting and support of the Silent Auction on Tuesday, October 8th. We had a truly enjoyable time spent with friends and guests, a delicious meal prepared by our hosts at Arbor Hall, and a wonderful presentation from our charity Project Pink'd. Because of your faithful support, we were able to bless Project Pink'd with \$7,424.00. You continue to amaze with your generosity. Blessings to you all!

### 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.

### 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 on the Metro Women's Club website. The following link will take you directly to the form. [www.metrowomensclub.org/change-of-address](http://www.metrowomensclub.org/change-of-address) If you have any questions, please contact Marcelene Lewis. Thank you!

### GARAGE SALE

Ladies, MWC is in need of an HOA that sponsors Garage Sales for your subdivision. Also in need of a few more people for the Garage Sale Committee, this is a chunk of money for our Charity each and every year. If you are interested please contact Pat Goodyear at 402-690-2389

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR

MWC Ladies, now is your time to shine, MWC is looking for a New Newsletter Editor for 2025-2026 MWC Year, now's your time to show what you got, and be a part of the in crowd. Please contact Denise Shroyer, LouAnn Norton or Rosemary Bliss if you might be interested in being the new newsletter editor, this position doesn't start until May/June. The newsletter is published using publisher, it's an easy program to learn. Training is available if needed.

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## QUARTERLY COFFEE & CHAT 1st TUESDAY November 5th 10:00am –Noon **ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!**

**Hostess: Denise Shroyer**, Co-hostesses: Shirley Raleigh & Sarah Chvala

All members are encourage to open up their homes and be a hostess and also Co-hostesses, not just for Board or Committee Members. Contact **Bert** if interested. *This is a casual, fun way to get to know fellow MWC members in the comfort of a members home. If you are new to the club this year, it's a great way to get to know some of the wonderful ladies in the group in a smaller group.*

## LUNCHEON 2nd Tuesday, November 12th, 11:30am SOCIAL 12:00pm LUNCH

**At: DC Centre, 11830 Stonegate Drive, Omaha**

Please do not call DC Centre to make or cancel reservations. Call Karen or Carolyn listed below.

**Menu: Plated Entrée** American Blend Tossed Salad, Herb Roasted Tender Turkey Breast with Gravy, Sage Dressing, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Kitchen cut Green Beans, Bread and Butter, Dessert bars. Coffee, tea and water. **Gluten-free:** Let your caller know if your meal needs to be made gluten-free.

**Cost:** \$25.00 per person includes taxes and tip. Cash or Check only, WE ARE UNABLE TO ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS.

Please have your form of payment ready prior to heading to the cashiers, this makes for a faster check in and gives you time to socialize before lunch is served.

**Members:** If you do not receive a call by Monday, November 4th and wish to attend, please call Karen Saunders or Carolyn Will.

If you are bringing a guest, please give your caller your guest's name.

**Cancellations:** Any cancellations must be made by **noon, November 4th**, or you will be expected to pay for your luncheon.

**NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Callers:** Please have the names of your attendees to **Karen or Carolyn by Monday, November 4th.**

**Luncheon Chairs: Karen Saunders and Carolyn Will**

***Members: We love to hear you socializing, chatting and catching up prior to the Luncheon! Just remember to turn your focus to the podium and to whomever has the microphone when "noon" approaches. Your cooperation is GREATLY appreciated!***

**Program:** Our speaker will be Matthew Hansen, editor of the Flatwater Free Press, Nebraska's first statewide nonprofit news source. Hansen, a 16-year veteran of Nebraska newspapers, has previously worked as a reporter at the Lincoln Journal Star and then a reporter and metro columnist at the Omaha World-Herald. During his time in newspapers, he travelled to Cuba and Afghanistan and won multiple state, regional and national awards for investigative stories, feature stories and columns. **Vicki Kirchner & Judy Mumm co-chair.**

## BOARD MEETING 3rd Tuesday November 19th 10:00 am

**At: W. Clarke Swanson Branch, 9101 W. Dodge, Omaha** **LOCATION CHANGE!**

Board Members, Committee Chairpersons, Socials and Special Events Chairpersons and all Special Interest Activities Chairperson are expected to have their information to Denise Shroyer for the newsletter the **Friday prior to the board meeting**. If you are scheduled to report please be at the board meeting, If unable to attend please call LouAnn or Rosemary. Information needs to be to Denise Shroyer and Linda Cisar the Friday prior to the board meeting

## BIRTHDAY BASH 3rd Tuesday November 19th 11:30am **ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME! PLEASE RSVP!**

**At: Jerico's Restaurant, 11732 W. Dodge Road, Omaha**

Sign up at the Social Noon Luncheon, or text/call Chris Sagenbrecht at 402-659-6592. ***If you need to cancel, PLEASE contact Chris. DO NOT CALL THE RESTAURANT. ALSO TO ATTEND, PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU HAVE A RESERVATION.***

**Birthday Bash Chairperson: Chris Sagenbrecht**

# FUTURE EVENTS

## HOLIDAY GIFT EXCHANGE—Tuesday, DECEMBER 3, 2024 1:00pm @ St. Elizabeth Ann Church, 5410 N. 114th Street, Omaha

- TICK TICK is Fast approaching,
- APPROXIMATELY in 8 WEEKS.
- DO you have your \$15.00 gift?
- HAVE you signed up on the sign up sheet at the October luncheon? OPPS- No!
- Don't worry there will be another sign up sheet at the November luncheon. If you don't make it to the November luncheon. You may call or text anyone on the committee. All are listed below.
- Sign up for the clean-up Committee.\*NO heavy duty stuff. Plan for what sweet or savory dish you plan on bringing.

This is your party for you. A time to relax, talk to friends, share your special treats and play a fast and exciting gift exchange game. We are sure there will be something for everyone to enjoy. The committee has had fun organizing this event and is so excited to share the day with you. Please don't hesitate to assist them with cleaning up the tables and taking home the leftovers. It will be greatly appreciated.

Your Committee welcomes you:	Shirley Raleigh	Deborah Jones
	Chris Sagenbrecht	LouAnn Norton
	Bert Harrifeld	Juanita Hammen
	Roselyn Stick	Lori Briggs



## FUTURE EVENTS

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### GARDEN CLUB

Mark your calendar for the evening of Monday, December 9th, Lauritzen Garden—Merry and Bright. See more information under Special Interest Groups.

**SPRING SOCIAL AND GAME DAY** committee will meet October 21, 2024 at Jean Cully's home to discuss this spectacular money-making, fun-loving event coming on March 11, 2025. In addition, we have two dates set for painting glassware January 13th and 20th, 2025. If you have an interest in helping, painting, or donating for this wonderful affair, please call Jean Cully.

### DINE AND DONATE

Mark your calendar now for Porky Butts, January 15, 2025, they give us 10% of the days total receipts.

### LET'S GO PLACES

**Kansas City**—Kansas City One day tour-Thursday, November 21, 2024. Enjoy a matinee luncheon dinner theatre performance of the Broadway musical Nunsense. It is a comedy about five nuns. Enjoy a large dessert during intermission. After the show, we will make a brief stop at Browne's Irish Marketplace to enjoy some shopping. Dinner on way home will be at McDonalds. This will be on our own. 7:30 am-8:45 pm. \$155 per person price includes transportation, gratuities, gourmet lunch buffet with dessert, and show ticket. If questions, contact Cella Best.

**All-Inclusive Vacation**—The sign up sheets we placed on the tables at the luncheon were tallied up and the #1 choice was the Riviera Maya in Mexico. 5 night/6 day adult-only all-inclusive at the Wyndham Alltra Resort, \$1,199 includes air & transfers. Further details will be provided in the future. February 2025 not yet planned. MWC Travel Committee is in need of someone to spearhead this.

**CeCe Carlson & Cindy Carlson, co-chairpersons for the Travel Club**

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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### INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

- Activities:** When Omaha Schools are closed, or switched to remote learning, Metro Women's Club activities are also cancelled, ie. Bunco, Bridge, MahJongg, etc.
- Luncheons:** When Omaha Schools are closed or switched to remote learning, our luncheons are cancelled, only if they are at a Restaurant. All Luncheons held at a private catered venue, such as Arbor Hall, are not cancelled. If the venue is a private catered venue you will be charged for your luncheon if you are a no-show.
- Board Meetings:** Board Meetings are an exception to the Omaha School closing rule. Board Meetings will only be cancelled if travel is not recommended by our Police Department, Mayor's Office and/or our Roads Department. In this case the meeting will be held by our President via Zoom. If weather is a problem, Officers and Chairpersons must email their Newsletter Information to Denise Shroyer The Newsletter must still go out no matter the weather.

### 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](http://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! ***Ladies, do not contact your newsletter editor, either go to the website, or contact the Newsletter Circulation Person if you don't receive your Newsletter via email, she is the one who makes sure your email is correct. If you receive via snail mail, check your mailbox and don't throw it away.***

### FACEBOOK

**Reminder** you must be a paid member of Metro Women's Club. Unpaid members will be removed! No questions asked! 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 or Margi Vice.

### POP CAN TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Ladies, please collect the can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Margi Vice is collecting them.

### PROCEDURES FOR FORMING A NEW METRO WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

- Notify President(s)
- Post on Facebook and in the Newsletter with contact information for interested members to call
- Determine place, time, how often, cost and all other relevant information
- Notify President(s) when you are ready to present to the Board and you will be added to the Board Meeting Agenda.



## OTHER INFORMATION

**MWC Ladies,** If you see something is incorrect in the newsletter, or I forgot something, please bring it to my attention. I can't fix it if I don't know. Thank you. Denise Shroyer

**Imagine, our Writer's Group,** met on September 25, 2024 with 5 members present. Our Mary Lou Jambor continues to recover; Kathy Benoit Raynor was not able to come; we missed both their presence and talented writing. Janis Keim shared her completed and meaningful book NO FIT, NO SNIT, NO HIT for kids. Kelli Barger read part of her book, working title Through the Smoke; we want to hear more. Amy Fiedler excelled with her 'in progress' poem "Transition" and Jean Cully read poem "79 and Holding." Karen Saunders received encouragement on her memoirs as we praised her story about "Picking Chickens" (or deboning for you nonfarm ladies). Next meeting October 23, 2024. This is a closed group, however, if you are interested in a writers' group call Jean Cully.

## THE PERSONALS

### NEW CONTACT INFORMATION OR CORRECTIONS

#### THINKING ABOUT YOU

Lori Briggs - Husband's health  
 Carole Thompson - Fell  
 Doris Helfrich - Surgery  
 Shirley Puls - Illness  
 Darlene Gaeta - Hip surgery #2  
 Peggy Christ - Brother's passing  
 Annie Sedlacek - Sister's passing  
 Karla Smith - Hospital/home  
 Chris Sagenbrecht - Fell  
 Diane Scheppers - Cataract surgery  
 Sandy House - Respiratory illness  
 Linda Davis— Eye surgery  
 LouAnn Norton-Shoulder Surgery

**MEMBERS (200)** Wait list at this time for new members is 13.

Watch you newsletter in 2025 for more information on renewal of membership.

#### THANK YOU

I want to send a heartfelt thank you to all members of MWC who sent well wishes via prayers, cards, calls, and visits to me after my accident on August 17th. Your support, comfort, and concern were most appreciated. This is a caring, wonderful group of women. *Mary Lou Jambo*

## BIRTHDAY GALS

11/01	Yvonne Durr	11/01	Sandra Simpson	11/05	Cherry Prochaska	11/11	Karen Smith
11/11	Sandi Hollenbeck	11/14	Janie Pillen	11/14	Chris Sagenbrecht	11/18	Nanci Wildman
11/23	Celeste Giery	11/25	Jan Wallish	11/26	Julie Dunn	11/28	Diane Scheppers
11/30	Deborah Merritt Jones						

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY LADIES!**

MWC Ladies, please check the Birthday list in the directory to be sure that your birthday is correct. I can only go off of the list in there, if



# SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

November 2024

<p><b>EVENING BUNCO</b> 1st Wednesday, November 6th 6:30pm <b>Hostess: Juanita Hammen</b></p> <p><b>October Results:</b> Most Wins: Pat Bond Most Buncos: Carolyn Will Low Score: Monica Clark Door Prize(s): Diane Dobrinska LouAnn Norton</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: <b>Diane Dobrinska</b></p>	<p><b>LUNCH TIME BUNCO</b> 2nd Friday, November 8th 11:00 am <b>Hostess: Ann Thomson</b></p> <p><b>October Results:</b> Most Wins: Carolyn Sliva Most Buncos: Ann Thomson Low Score: Margi Vice Door Prize: Denise Shroyer</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: <b>Linda Davis</b></p>	<p><b>MORNING BUNCO</b> 3rd Wednesday, November 20th 9:30 am <b>Hostess: LouAnn Norton</b></p> <p><b>October Results:</b> Most Wins: Darlene Gaeta Most Buncos: Deborah Jones Low Score: Jeri Cone Door Prize: Shirley Raleigh Juanita Hammen</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: <b>Diane Dobrinska</b></p>
<p><b>ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE</b> 1st Tuesday, November 5th 11:30 am <b>Red Lobster—Oakview (Bar Area)</b> <b>2702 S. 140th Street, Omaha</b></p> <p><b>October Results:</b> Carole Thompson &amp; Celeste Giery 3200 Barb Zabel &amp; Marilyn Conner 3010 Monica Clark &amp; Rosemary Bliss 2510 Any questions, please call</p> <p><b>Celeste Giery</b></p>	<p><b>"SWEET PEA" GARDEN CLUB</b> <b>EVERYONE IS WELCOMED FOR THIS EVENT</b> <b>SAVE THE DATE</b> <b>MONDAY, DECEMBER 9th</b> <b>EVENING</b> <b>LAURITZEN GARDEN</b> <b>MERRY AND BRIGHT</b> Please email Patricia and let her know if you will be attending.</p> <p>If interested in the Garden Club please email</p>	<p><b>BRIDGE</b> 2nd Wednesday, November 13th 11:00 am <b>Zio's Pizzeria</b> <b>12997 West Center Road, Omaha</b></p> <p><b>October Results:</b> First: Monica Clark Second: Celeste Giery Third: Anna Nelson</p> <p>If anyone is interested in playing please contact <b>Anna Nelson</b></p>
<p><b>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB -</b> <b>NOON DELIGHTS—1st Monday</b> November 4th 12:00 pm</p> <p><b>Hostess: LouAnn Norton</b></p>	<p><b>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB -</b> <b>DINING DIVAS—3rd Monday</b> November 18th 12:00 pm</p> <p><b>Hostess: Sarah Chvala</b></p>	<p><b>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB -</b> <b>LUNCH BUNCH—3rd Wednesday</b> November 20th 12:00 pm</p> <p><b>Hostess: Doris Helfrich</b></p>
<p><b>BOOK CLUB</b> 3rd Friday, November 15th 9:30 am <b>Abrams Branch Omaha Public Library</b> <b>5111 N. 90th Street, Omaha</b></p> <p><b>Book:</b> THE DIAMOND EYE <b>Author:</b> Kate Quinn</p> <p>Voting! <b>Questions: Juanita Hammen</b></p>	<p><b>WALKING WITH THE ANIMALS</b> <b>Every Friday all year round</b></p> <p>Morning walk at the Henry Doorly Zoo. Walking club members check in at 7:30 AM during the summer months and 8:30 AM during the winter. Must be a Zoo Member!</p> <p><b>Contact:</b> Lorraine Mines</p>	<p><b>SOCIAL HOUR</b> 1st Thursday, November 7th 3:00 pm <b>402 Eat and Drink</b> <b>17305 Davenport St, Omaha</b> <b>@Village Pointe</b></p> <p>Please no saving seats! Chance to meet and have fun with your fellow members! You never know who you might meet!</p> <p><b>Chairperson: Darlene Palmer</b></p>
<p><b>IMAGINE WRITERS GROUP</b> 4th Monday, November 25th</p> <p><b>Hostess: Jean Cully</b> <b>Chairperson: Jean Cully 402-212-7070</b> Group is closed, wait list at this time.</p> <p>Please contact about the Evening Writers Group</p>	<p><b>GAD-A-BOUTS</b> No outing in November or December <b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS!</b></p>	<p><b>PLEASE READ YOUR NEWSLETTER. LOTS OF TIME AND EFFORT IS PUT INTO ALL THE WONDERFUL INFORMATION.</b> <b>DON'T PUT YOUR HEAD IN THE SAND AND MISS OUT ON ALL THE FUN STUFF WE DO!</b></p>
<p><b>CINEMA CHICKS</b> <b>4th Friday, November 22nd</b></p> <p>The next Cinema Chicks will be Friday, November 22nd. Check your emails on Tuesday or Wednesday of that week for selection of movie and lunch location. As a reminder, it is difficult to select far in advance as they often change. <b>Suggestions Welcome!</b></p> <p>Any questions, call or text <b>Chris Sagenbrecht</b></p>	<p><b>AMERICAN MAHJONGG</b> 2nd Thursday 1:00 pm November 14th</p> <p>Converge Church 14515 Harvey Oaks Ave, Omaha</p> <p>Contact Sandy for lessons. Observers are welcome!!</p> <p><b>We are looking for new players! Come and join the fun, we'd love to have you!</b></p> <p><b>Sandy Simpson</b></p>	<p><b>STITCH &amp; CHAT</b> No meeting in November or December</p> <p><b>HAPPY HOLIDAYS!</b></p> <p><b>Other questions, please call:</b> <b>Pat Bond</b></p>

# NOVEMBER 2024

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