



# Metro Women's Club

*Just Between Friends*

## NEWSLETTER

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Friendship

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### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Ladies,

I can't believe the holidays are here. As I child, I never thought Christmas was going to get here. Now as an adult, I am totally surprised that it is here so quickly.

Metro Women's Club has two holiday events to keep in mind. On Tuesday, December 6th , we will have the Christmas Gift Exchange. On Tuesday, December 13th , we will have the Christmas luncheon at Oak Hills Country Club. Details for both these events are in this newsletter. I hope you can join us.

Please stay warm, stay safe and stay healthy. But most of all, I hope you enjoy this holiday season and all the memories you create.

Happy Holidays.

- Mary Beth Manninger, President

### CHARITY SUGGESTIONS

Our Charity Committee has begun interviewing charities for next season. They need your suggestions. The charity should be local and preferably assisting women and/or children. We have also donated to Veteran organizations. If you have a favorite charity that is filling a need in our community, please forward your suggestions to Jerri Cone or LouAnn Norton . Your suggestions are the best.

### SALVATION ARMY DONATIONS

We will be passing "The Hat" at our December's Social Noon Luncheon. It is one of our traditions this time of the year to help others not as fortunate as we are. Many of our long time members can remember when we would stand out in the cold and ring the bell for Salvation Army. This is such a nicer way to donate and we contribute more money for Salvation Army by passing "The Hat". Please bring extra cash or check for a contribution. The Army helps so many in need. Note: make your check payable to Salvation Army.

### INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

1. **Activities:** When Omaha Schools are closed, or switch to remote learning, Metro Women's Club activities are also canceled, ie. Bunco, Bridge, MahJongg, etc.
2. **Luncheons:** When Omaha Schools are closed or switch to remote learning, our luncheons are canceled, only if they are at a Restaurant. All Luncheons held at a private catered venue, such as Arbor Hall, **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 and 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 Marcelene Lewis. The Newsletter must still go out no matter the weather.

### 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. **Only Aluminum tabs please**. 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. Margi Vice is our contact and you may give your saved tabs to them. Thank you.

### OMAHA STREET SCHOOL

Included with your Newsletter is a very nice write-up in Omaha Street School's monthly Newsletter about their visit to our Silent Auction. We thought you would enjoy their thoughts and comments.



# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2022

## **HOLIDAY EXCHANGE, 1st TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6th, 1:00 PM**

**Janette Sodoro** has graciously agreed to open her lovely home for our annual Holiday Exchange. Bring a sweet or savory dish to share and a Secret Santa Gift worth \$10.00. You are also encouraged to bring wine if you would like to imbibe. Please call or text Chris Sagenbrecht if you would like to attend but didn't get the sign up sheet passed to you during our Social Noon Luncheon. Also if you would like to volunteer to help clean-up after our event, please inform Chris. This is an extra special occasion and so much fun. Plan to attend.

## **SOCIAL NOON LUNCHEON, 2ND TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 11:30 SOCIAL, 12:00 LUNCH**

At: **Oak Hills Country Club, 12325 Golfing Green Drive, Omaha**

Please **do not** call Oak Hills to make reservations, or to cancel reservation – call: Karen Saunders or Myra Hoffart listed below.

Menu: Choice of one

1. Pan Seared Salmon, topped with Lemon Caper Burre Blanc, served with Rice Pilaf and Green Beans
2. Fettuccini topped with Chicken Parmesan and Marinara Sauce

Entrees served with House Salad topped with Italian Dressing, Rolls with Whipped Butter, Coffee or Tea.

Dessert: Peppermint Stick Ice Cream with a cookie.

Cash bar available.

Gluten-free: Let your caller know your selection choice needs to be made gluten-free

Cost: \$25.00 admission per person includes lunch, taxes and tip. Cash or Check only, we are unable to accept credit cards.

Members: If you do not receive a call by **December 6th** and wish to attend, please call Karen Saunders or Myra Hoffart. If you are bringing a guest, please give your caller your guest's name and luncheon choice.

Callers: Please have your attendees' choices to Karen or Myra by **December 6th**.

Cancellations: Any cancellations must be made by **December 6th**, or you will be expected to pay for your luncheon.

Program: "Voices of Boystown" vocal group.

Salvation Army Donation: We will be passing "The Hat" for our annual Salvation Army donation. It sure beats ringing a bell in the cold!!!

**Luncheon Co-Chairpersons: Myra Hoffart and Karen Saunders**

**Program Co-Chairpersons: Mary Lou Jambor and Bobbie Montequin**

## **DOUBLE BOARD MEETING 2nd TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13th, AFTER LUNCHEON, DATE CHANGE**

At: **Oak Hills Country Club, 12325 Golfing Green Drive**

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, Editor and Barb Bures, Recording Secretary.

## **BIRTHDAY BASH - NO BIRTHDAY BASH DUE TO CHRISTMAS**

Both December and January Birthdays will be celebrated on January 17th.

**Birthday Bash Co-Chairs Rosemary Bliss and LouAnn Norton**

## **GADABOUTS — NO GADABOUTS DUE TO CHRISTMAS**

**Committee Chairperson: Tricia Weathers**

# FUTURE EVENTS

## **LET'S GO PLACES—TRAVEL CLUB, FEBRUARY 28th, BAHAMAS, 7 DAYS**

## **WELCOMING COFFEE, FEBRUARY 7th, 10:00 AM**

Hostess: **Carolyn Will**

Co-Hostesses: **Pat Bond and Karen Saunders**

## **DINE AND DONATE, FEBRUARY 8th, PORKY BUTTS BBQ**

More details next month.

## **LET'S GO PLACES – JUNE 28-30, OR JULY 1ST, 2023**

Mississippi River Boat Cruise. Travel from LeClair IA north to Dubuque for a one-night stay on the 29th, returning on the 30th or July 1st. Adventure includes cruise, motel on the 28th in LeClair, motel on 29th in Dubuque, all food and sightseeing opportunities in Dubuque. An additional night in LeClair on the 30th is available for those who do not want to drive back on the evening of the 30th. Contact Cece Carlson with questions or to reserve your place. Space is limited!! CeCe can email the complete price structure and details to you.

## **SPRING SOCIAL AND GAME DAY, 2nd TUESDAY, MARCH 14th,**

**Chairperson: Jean Cully, Rosemary Bliss, Tricia Weathers, Doris Helfrich and Kay Porter, Connie Gibb, Darlene Gaeta**

## **FASHION SHOW, 2nd TUESDAY, APRIL 11th**

**Chairpersons: Celeste Giery and Carolyn Will.**

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL, MERIT AWARD, SERVICE PINS — MAY**



# THE PERSONALS

December 2022

## NEW MEMBERS (181 members)

**JoDeen F. Mann**, (Thomas) Birthday: December 28

**Nancy Marks**, (Les), Birthday: March 22

**Jean Welsh**, Birthday: February 15

**Diane Shroyer**, (Russel), Birthday: August 2

## THINKING ABOUT YOU

### Thinking Of You

**Cherry Prochaska**—dialysis

**Ellen Lake**—eye surgery

**Annelle Dent**—fall

**Darlene & Sam Gaeta**—Sam fell

**Tricia Weathers**—medical issues

**Margaret & Gene Baier**—husband's surgery

**Shirley Raleigh**—medical issues

## LUNCHEON RAFFLE WINNERS

Jan Nielsen, Kay Porter, Dolores Hughes, Mary Beth Manninger, Sarah Chvala, Barb Bures, Linda Cisar, Joyce Brownell, Bobbie Montequin, Shirley Sedlacek, Betty Delavan, Judy Mumm, Nancy Marks, Barbara Rowe, Shirley Welty.

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

<p><b>NIGHT BUNCO</b> 1st Wednesday, December 7th, 6:30 PM <b>Hostess:</b> <b>Connie Gibb</b> November Results Most Wins: Cindy Popp Most Bunco's: Doris Helfrich Most Losses: Diane Dobrinska Door Prize: Juanita Hammen We have a full roster in this group but new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on our sub list call: <b>Diane Dobrinska</b></p>	<p><b>BRIDGE</b> 2nd Wednesday, December 14th, 11:00 AM <b>Zio's Pizzeria, 12997 West Center Road</b> \$1.00 to play, Lunch &amp; Tip  November Results 1st: Anna Nelson 2nd: Rosemary Bliss 3rd: Celeste Giery 4th: Carole Edwards  Questions or to add your name to the sub list, contact <b>Anna Nelson</b></p>	<p><b>CINEMA CHICKS</b>  No Cinema Chicks outings will be planned for November and December due to the holidays. We will pick it up in January 2023  Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays!  Questions? Text or call Chris Sagenbrecht</p>
<p><b>DAY BUNCO</b> 3rd Wednesday, December 21st, 9:30 AM <b>Hostess: Mary Ellen Anderson</b>  November Results Most Wins: Darlene Gaeta Most Bunco's: Marcelene Lewis Most Losses: Margi Vice Door Prize: Bert Harifeld We have a full roster in this group. Anyone interested in being a sub call <b>Diane Dobrinska</b> at</p>	<p><b>ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE</b> 1st Tuesday, December 6th, 11:30, (If not attending Christmas exchange) <b>Otherwise Monday, December 5th — CHANGE</b> <b>Red Lobster, Oakview (Bar Area)</b> <b>2707 South 140th Street</b>  All teams haven't played in November. Results will be posted next month.  Questions? Call Celeste Giery</p>	<p><b>STITCH &amp; CHAT CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON</b> <b>The potluck luncheon will be on</b> <b>Monday, December 5th at 11:30.</b>  Please call your hostess and let her know you are coming and what you would like to bring. We are looking forward to seeing all of you and starting off the Holiday Season enjoying a fun luncheon with everyone. Happy Holidays <b>Pat Bond and Dolores Hughes</b></p>
<p><b>BOOK CLUB LOCATION CHANGE</b> 3rd Friday, December 16th, 9:30 AM <b>Millard Branch Omaha Library</b> <b>13214 Westwood Lane</b> Book: <i>The Hiding Place</i> Author: Elizabeth and John Sherrell Please bring: Book with only bow for Chinese gift exchange, item for Food Bank and a children's book to donate. <b>Questions: Juanita Hammen</b></p>	<p><b>AMERICAN MAH JONGG</b> 2nd and 4th Thursday, 1:00 PM December 8th, No play December 22nd Contact Betty or Sue for lessons or game site. Observers are welcome!!  <b>Betty Delavan or Sue Odell</b></p>	<p><b>GOLF</b> Please contact <b>Roberta Courter</b> if interested in joining the league. Golf meets each Friday morning. Until fall. Golf has ended but if you would like to sign-up for next Spring please contact Roberta.</p>
<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB— <b>NOON DELIGHTS</b>—1st Monday, December 5th, 12:00 <b>Hostess: Cindy Popp</b></p>	<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB <b>DINING DIVAS</b> - 2nd Monday, December 12th, 12:00 <b>Hostess: Sharon Price</b></p>	<p>DINING INN— GOURMET DINING CLUB <b>LUNCH BUNCH</b> - 3rd Wednesday, December 21st, 12:30 <b>Hostess: Celeste Giery</b></p>

## LET'S GO PLACES—TRAVEL CLUB ( Check out the full details of future trips on our website's "TRAVEL" tab, [metrowomensclub.org](http://metrowomensclub.org) )

The Bahamas trip February 28<sup>th</sup> thru March 6<sup>th</sup> is still available! Contact Barb Bures for details. 2023 Travel Plans are now available online at the Metro Women's Club website. Bookmarks with the schedule will be available at the December luncheon.

JUNE—Mississippi River Boat cruise.

JULY—one day trip to Bridges of Madison County Iowa.

AUGUST— Chillicothe MO to tour a city of murals.

OCTOBER—one day fall foliage trip thru Iowa Loess Hills

## BIRTHDAY GALS

Sue Odell	December 9	Mary Johnson	December 17	Elaine Tomasevicz	December 24
Cheryl Pease	December 14	Annelle Dent	December 19	Sandy House	December 25
Linda Tesnow	December 14	Karen Mines	December 20	Jane Hedges	December 28
Luanne Colbert	December 16	Mary Lou Jambor	December 21	JoDeen Mann	December 28
Catherine Yates	December 16	Barbara Bures	December 23	Happy Birthday Ladies	

### December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 11:30 Stitch & Chat Christmas Party 12:00 Noon Delights	6 11:30 Marathon Bridge 1:00 Holiday Exchange	7 6:30 Evening Bunco	8 1:00 American Mah Jongg	9	10
11	12 12:00 Dining Divas	13 11:30 Social Noon Luncheon	14 11:00 Bridge	15	16 9:00 Book Club	17
18	19 <i>Hanukkah</i>	20 10:00 Board Meeting 11:45 Birthday Bash	21 9:30 Morning Bunco 12:30 Lunch Bunch	22 No American Mah Jongg	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>
25 <i>Merry Christmas</i>	26	27 No Gad About	28 No Stitch & Chat	29	30 No Cinema Chicks	31 <i>New Years Eve</i>

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# STREET WISE

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## Group Gets a Taste of OSS

Metro Women's Club is a group dedicated to friendship and supporting local non-profits that are bettering our community.

This year they have named Omaha Street School as their philanthropic focus, and they wanted their membership to hear from a couple of OSS students.

At an October 11th luncheon the Metro Women's Club got a taste of the impact that the Street School can make in the life of a teenager!

At the luncheon two OSS students, Mayalyn and Ajourh, both juniors, and Linda Reimer, the Executive Director of OSS, got an opportunity to share the story of the Street School.

"I felt calm, if that makes sense. The ladies weren't judging us when we were talking about our life situations, what we have going on," said Maya.

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Ajourh agreed. "At first it was nerve racking to share my story. But when I started adjusting to it I was more relaxed."

Along with great food and company, the group heard about the impact of the Street School. Both students have struggled with the large size of previous schools, and that led to truancy and to behavior struggles. But at OSS, they have found a home.

"I told them that I liked the size of the school. I also told them that it is easy being at this school. Kids succeed here," Maya said. "

"It brings down my anxiety a lot," Ajourh added.

## Want to host OSS for your group?

Get in touch with Linda Reimer!  
You can reach her at (402) 451-5234 or  
lreimer@omahastreetschool.com.  
We'd love to share our stories with you!