

Metro Women's Club

Just Between Friends

NEWSLETTER

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September 2024

Extend the Hand of Friendship

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hello Evervone-

Hope you are all enjoying this variety of Summer Days with a touch of Fall-like Evenings! Our recent winds & rain, along with tree damage and power outages, sure have put a blemish on our beautiful city! But, together we work on making it beautiful again! And, working together seems to be what we do best. Here in MWC, our efforts are being focused on the upcoming Fall Fundraiser-Our Silent Auction. The team, along with Chairperson, Sarah Chvala, have been working hard every Monday! They welcome your donations and look forward to seeing everyone on October 8th at Arbor Hall! THINK PINK'D!

There are so many activities going on so do keep your Newsletter handy-we wouldn't want to suffer from FOMO!

Stay well and happy! Rosemary Bliss, Co-President

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

DIRECTORY

The MWC 2024-2025 Directory has been printed, if you didn't get it at the August MWC Monthly Luncheon, then you can pick it up in September at the MWC Monthly Luncheon. Please double check that your information is correct, if it's not, please go to the MWC website and fill out the address correction form (see above Membership).

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 accidently 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!

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.

POP CAN TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

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

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.

COURTESY FOR LUNCHEONS FOR YOUR FELLOW MWC MEMBERS

- PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONES, AND REFRAIN FROM USING THEM AT THE TABLE UNLESS YOU MUST TAKE A CALL AND THEN PLEASE KINDLY STEP OUT
- IF SOMEONE IS PRESENTING OR A FELLOW MEMBER IS AT THE PODIUM (MICROPHONE) PLEASE BE QUIET AND RESPECTFUL

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

LUNCHEON 2nd Tuesday, September 10th 11:30 am SOCIAL 12:00 pm LUNCH CARPOOLING IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED (Golf Cart Caddy available after 11:00)

At: Field Club of Omaha, 3615 Woolworth Avenue, Omaha

Please do not call Field Club to make reservations, or to cancel reservation - call: Karen Saunders or Carolyn Will listed below.

Menu-Plated Entree:

Sliced Roasted Pork Loin with Apple Cranberry Chutney and Rosemary Sage Glaze, Thunderbird salad, Chef's accompaniments, Dinner Roll and Butter, Chocolates. Coffee, Tea, and Water Service. Cash bar available near entrance Gluten-free: Let your caller know your meal should 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, September 2nd 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, September 3rd, 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, <u>September 2nd</u>. <u>Members: We love to hear you socializing, chating and catching up prior to the Luncheon!</u> Just remember to turn your focus to the podium and to whomever has the microphone when "noon" approaches. Your cooperation is GREATLY appreciated!

Luncheon Chairs: Karen Saunders and Carolyn Will

Program: Douglas MacArthur (Jan. 26, 1880-April 3, 1964) was an American military leader in WW1, Chief of Staff of the US Army during the 1930's, and played a prominent role in the Pacific Theater during WW2. In a one person play by Chvala & Company Productions, "General MacArthur" will tell us the extremely important, inspiring, and heroic roles our soldiers play for America!

Program Chairs: Vicki Kirchner and Judy Mumm

BOARD MEETING 3rd Tuesday September 17th 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 have their information to Denise Shroyer for the newsletter 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 prior to the board meeting

BIRTHDAY BASH 3rd Tuesday September 17th NOON (they don't open until NOON) ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME! At: Backlot Pizza + Kitchen, 6200 S. 205th Plaza, Elkhorn PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE RESTAURANT.

They have Detroit-style pizza, and it's delicious!

Call or text Chris to make reservations or sign up at the Social Noon Luncheon. Birthday Bash

Chairperson: Chris Sagenbrecht

DINE AND DONATE

Ladies, as we're now beginning to fill up our September calendars, don't forget to highlight our Dine and Donate event at Vino Mas on Thursday, September 19th. They again are generously offering us \$15 return for our charity Project Pink'd from our \$20 ticket price for 5 wine and 3 beer tastings. Time is 5-6:30pm, but plan on staying around to enjoy the band that begins at 6:30.

GAD-A-BOUTS 4th Tuesday September 24th JOSLYN ART MUSEUM 2200 Dodge St, Omaha meet @ roughly 12:30-1:00 Lunch: First Round @ 11:30, 3901 Farnam St, Omaha

The Joslyn is finally reopening! I can't wait to get us in the door. This month we will go to lunch at First Round, then over to the Joslyn for a stroll through the remodeled museum. This will be a self-guided tour as they are not offering anything guided at this point.

Chairperson: Tricia Weathers

SILENT AUCTION

Many thanks to all of you ladies who have been able to donate items for our Silent Auction baskets!! Your Team has been working hard every Monday morning creating those tempting baskets you will be able to bid on at the Silent Auction luncheon Tuesday, October 8th. We will continue to accept donations until our last workday, September 30th. As always, we will also accept homemade food items, canned goods, etc. which can be brought the day of the auction. Please read over the flyer in this newsletter for more specific information!

FUTURE EVENTS

QUARTERLY COFFEE & CHAT TUESDAY November 5th 10:00am ALL MEMBERS ARE WELCOME!

Hostess: Denise Shroyer, 18508 Hamilton Cir, Elkhorn 720-371-5965, 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.

HOLIDAY GIFT EXCHANGE—Tuesday, DECEMBER 3, 2024

Holiday Party's planning for December 3, 2024 is well on its way. This is the party you give to yourself by yourselves. Everyone brings a tasty sweet or savory item to share and a gift to exchange. This is your reminder to mark your calendars and check out those sales and bargains out there. THE GIFT can be a Holiday item, home decoration, useful home items such as a bread basket or towels. It's your creative choice. Price limit is \$15.00, questions can be directed to the Holiday Committee. Shirley Raleigh, Deborah Jones co-chairman, OR any of the awe-some members. Chris Sagenbrecht, LouAnn Norton, Lori Briggs, Bert Harrifeld, Juanita Hammen or Roselyn Stick. LET'S PARTY!

FUTURE EVENTS

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LET'S GO PLACES
Mississippi River Cruise—September 11-13.

Mackinac Island/Door County #4—September 14-19.

Loess Hills—Fall Colors—October 17, 2024. See flyer.

<u>Kansas City Holiday Shopping</u>—November 21st, Nunsense, a musical comedy at the New Theatre will be one day trip. Hope to stop at Browne's Irish Marketplace for a little shopping after the performance. Travel Cat Tours is setting it up as part of tour. More information to come in the upcoming months. Contact Cella Best for more information. (FLYER COMING SOON)

<u>All-Inclusive Vacation</u>—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, \$1199 includes air & transfers. Further details will be provided in the future. February 2025 Not yet planned. MWC Travel Committee

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

IMAGINE, our Writer's Club met on July 24, 2024, four members were present. We enjoyed Karen Saunder's writing and shared ideas about how to help one another with our work. We loved Karen's sharing treats of fruit and pastry as well. William Shakespeare wrote, "It is not in the stars to hold our destiny but in ourselves." Our club builds on this promise of the strength of women and our goals. Next meeting August 28, 2024. Jean Cully

THE PERSONALS

NEW CONTACT INFORMATION OR CORRECTIONS

Andrea Krugers, Address and phone Linda Floro, email address Jan Nielsen, Cell Phone Bobbie Montequin, email address Sandi Hollenbeck, Address Helene Lohman. Phone

THINKING ABOUT YOU

Dee Bigge—Sympathy-Granddaughter's Passing
Jan Pillen—Friendship
Diane Dobrinska—Illness, ok now
Mary Lou Jambor—Fell-@ Brookstone for recovery
Darlene Gaeta—Surgery
Juanita Hammen—Surgery
Chris Sagenbrecht—Illness, ok now
Karla Smith—Hospitalized, home now

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

THANK YOU

Dear Friends, it is with such gratitude that I reach out to all of you with love and appreciation for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and "well wishes" during my recent lumpectomy surgery for breast cancer. A report of clean margins was the BEST news! It does take a village, and you are mine! *Rosemary Bliss*

Dear MWC members, I want to thank you again for all the support from cards and well wishes for my recovery from my recent mastectomy. As women we can lend such support for each other as we go through our lives. Thank you for all the assistance with my recovery and your talking with me at our luncheon. Thank you. *Jean Cully*

BIRTHDAY GALS

Dolores Hughes	09/01	Kathryn Allen	09/03	Shirley Raleigh	09/03	Rickie Engel	09/04
Susan Howard	09/04	Sue Temme	09/04	Susan Christiansen	09/05	Mary Beth Manninger	09/05
Jerri Cone	09/07	Jacque Bandiera	09/05	CeCe Carlson	09/09	Micki Lehotak	09/09
Sue Dempsey	09/10	Sandra Hammond	09/13	Susan Conradson	09/15	Diane Dobrinska	09/16
Anna Nelson	09/16	Vicki Riley	09/16	Karla Smith	09/16	Sharon Hardage	09/18
Cella Best	09/20	Mary Egan	09/21	Linda Nelson	09/25	Barb Thompson	09/25
Ginny Vomacka	09/25	LouAnn Norton	09/27	Dee Bigge	09/30		

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

EVENING BUNCO

1st Wednesday, September 4th 6:30pm **Hostess: Monica Clark**

Results from August

Most Wins: Peggy Reibold Most Buncos: Doris Helfrich Low Score: Sharon Duignan Door Prize: Monica Clark

We have a full roster in this group, new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on our sub list call: Diane Dobrinska at

Hostess: Denise Shroyer Results from August

LUNCH TIME BUNCO

2nd Friday, September 13th 11:00 am

Most Wins: Cella Best Most Buncos: Julie Dunn Low Score: Janice Japp Door Prize: Margo Juarez

We have a full roster in this group, new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on

our sub list call: Linda Davis

MORNING BUNCO

3rd Wednesday, September 18th 9:30 am **Hostess: Shirley Raleigh**

Results from August

Most Wins: LouAnn Norton Most Buncos: Shirley Raleigh Low Score: Cindy Carlson Door Prize: Barb Bures

We have a full roster in this group, new subs are always welcome. If you are interested in being on

our sub list call: Diane Dobrinska at

ROUND ROBIN MARATHON BRIDGE

1st Tuesday, September 3rd 11:30 am Red Lobster—Oakview (Bar Area) 2702 S. 140th Street, Omaha

Information and details will be handed out on Tuesday, September 3rd

> Any questions, please call **Celeste Giery**

"SWEET PEA" GARDEN CLUB

1st Friday, September 6th 9:00 am This month we will travel to the Loess Hills Lavender Farm in Missouri Valley, IA

Meet in the Family Fare parking lot (144th and Center) to carpool at 9am Watch your email with more information

If interested in the Garden Club please email Patricia Thompson

BRIDGE

2nd Wednesday, September 11th 11:00 am Zio's Pizzeria 12997 West Center Road, Omaha

Results from August

First: Margaret Baier Second: Carole Thompson Third: Barb Zabel

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

DINING INN-GOURMET DINING CLUB-NOON DELIGHTS-2nd Monday

September 9th 12:00 pm

Hostess: Chris Sagenbrecht

DINING INN-GOURMET DINING CLUB-DINING DIVAS—3rd Monday

September 16th 12:00 pm

Hostess: Linda Nelson

DINING INN- GOURMET DINING CLUB-LUNCH BUNCH-3rd Wednesday

September 18th 12:00 pm

Hostess: Pat Goodyear

BOOK CLUB

3rd Friday, September 20th 9:30 am Abrams Branch Omaha Public Library 5111 N. 90th Street, Omaha

Book: SWIMMING LESSONS Author: Claire Fuller

Ideas for new book list are welcome now

Questions: Juanita Hammen

WALKING WITH THE ANIMALS Every Friday all year round

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!

Contact: Lorraine Mines at lmines@cox.net

SOCIAL HOUR

1st Thursday, September 5th 3:00 pm **Talus Spirits & Sustenance** 10914 Cumberland Drive, Papillion, NE Meet on the Patio

Please no saving seats! Chance to meet and have fun with your fellow members! You never know who you might meet!

Chairperson: Darlene Palmer

IMAGINE WRITERS GROUP Day TBD Date TBD

Hostess: Jean Cully Chairperson: Jean Cully Group is closed, wait list at this time.

Please contact about the Evening Writers Group

CINEMA CHICKS

4th Friday, September 27th

The next Cinema Chicks will be Friday, September 27th. Check your emails a couple of days before that date for selection of movie and lunch location. Most movie times for any Friday are not listed until Tuesday or Wednesday of that week. As a reminder, it is dificult to select a movie far in advance as they often change.

> Any questions, call or text **Chris Sagenbrecht**

GOLF Fridays—May thru October

The Golf League has already started. Best of luck ladies, enjoy your Fridays and hope you all get a hole-in-one! **Contact: Robert Courter**

AMERICAN MAHJONGG

2nd and 4th Thursday 1:00 pm September 12th & 26th

Converge Church 14515 Harvey Oaks Ave, Omaha

Contact Sandy for lessons. Observers are welcome!!

We are looking for new players! Come and join the fun, we'd love to have you!

Sandy Simpson

TIME AND EFFORT IS PUT INTO ALL THE WONDERFUL INFORMATION. DON'T PUT YOUR HEAD IN THE SAND AND MISS OUT ON ALL THE FUN STUFF WE DO!

PLEASE READ YOUR NEWSLETTER. LOTS OF

STITCH & CHAT Last Wednesday, 12:00-2:00 September 25th

Hostess: Pat Bond

Other questions, please call: **Pat Bond**

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.

SEPTEMBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 LABOR DAY	3 MARATHON BRIDGE	4 EVENING BUNCO	5 SOCIAL HOUR	6 ZOO WALKING GOLF GARDEN CLUB	7
8	9 NOON DELIGHTS	10 MONTHLY LUNCHEON	11 BRIDGE MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE	12 MAHJONGG MISSISSIPPI RIVER CRUISE	13 ZOO WALKING GOLF LUNCH BUNCO MISSISSIPPI RIVER	14 MACKINAC ISLAND
15 MACKINAC ISLAND	16 DINING DIVAS MACKINAC ISLAND	17 BOARD MEETING BIRTHDAY BASH MACKINAC ISLAND	18 LUNCH BUNCH MACKINAC ISLAND	19 MACKINAC ISLAND DINE & DONATE	20 ZOO WALKING GOLF BOOK CLUB	21
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GET PINK'D

Metro Women's Club Silent Auction

October 8, 2024
The Arbor Event Venue
14040 Arbor Street

We are looking for new items to be donated for our Silent Auction. This is one of our premier fund raising events for our chosen charity ...

Project Pink'd

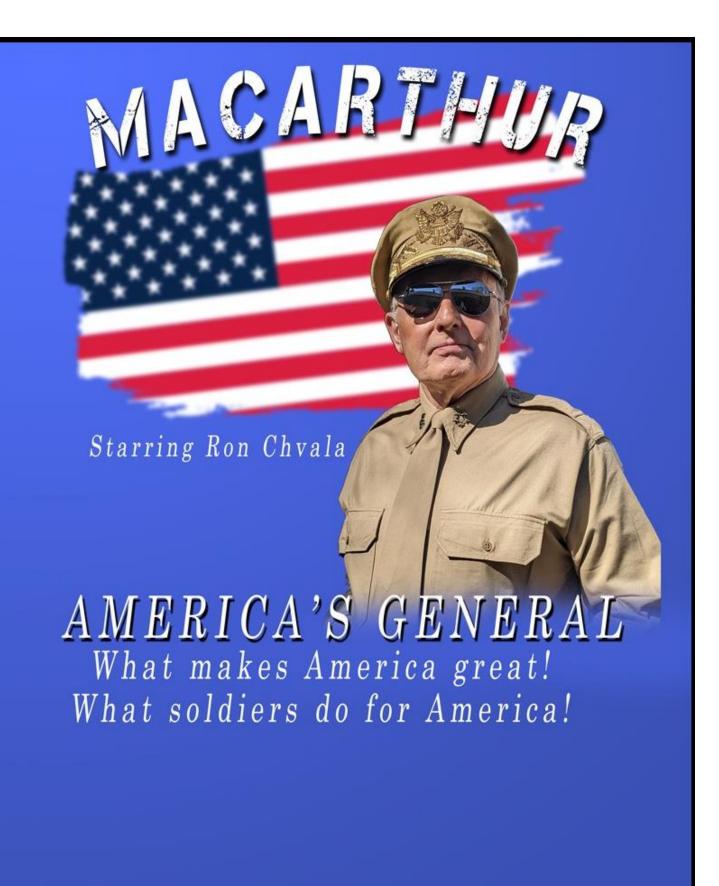
We need Jewelry, baskets, scarves, purses, wine, kitchenware, home decor, holiday items, decorative pillow, and all kinds of items you gals would want to bid on at our Silent Auction. We also will have a food table with lots of goodies such as candies, pastries, home canned goods for you home chefs to contribute to. Cash donations are always welcome the day of the Auction!

You can bring your items to Auction Central, Mon-days only, from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, until Sept 30th. Or, you can bring items to any of our Club functions and one of our members on the Auction Committee will collect them from you.

PLEASE REFERENCE YOUR NAME WITH YOUR DONATED ITEM!

Note: Food items can be brought the day of the Auction. Please notify
Sarah Chvala if you are bringing a food item so space can be reserved for
your tasty masterpiece.

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Fall Colors in Iowa's Loess Hills

Enjoy the beautiful fall colors of the Loess Hills of western Iowa. Visit Hitchcock Nature Center, Preparation Canyon overlook, Sawmill Hollow Organic Farm, and other scenic locations

Discover the beauty and serenity of the Loess Hills of western Iowa. We begin our journey with a visit to Sawmill Hollow Organic Farm in Missouri Valley, Iowa. Set on 150 acres in the Loess Hills, the farm is America's first aronia berry farm. The berry is famous for being a natural antioxidant. From the comfort of the lodge, enjoy a tasting of foods made with the berries which include gourmet aronia salsa, aronia berry jelly, aronia berry syrup and even aronia chili starter. Sawmill Hollow also produces a variety of premium aronia berry wines.

Our next destination is and stop at the scenic overlook at Preparation Canyon State Park. The overlook deck provides a panoramic view of the Missouri River Valley for miles and miles. It is also a wonderful place for group photos or a personal photo with a friend. Lunch today will be in at the nearby Bethesda Lutheran church in the small community of Moorhead, Iowa. Enjoy a large homecooked lunch provided by the parish women. After lunch, we will travel to the



historic Ingemann Danish Lutheran Church in the countryside. Built in 1884 by a pocket of Danish immigrants, services were conducted in the native Danish language until 1918. Today the historic church with its cemetery serves as a reminder of the early settlers of western Iowa.

This afternoon we visit the Loess Hills Lavender Farm gift store. Shop for a variety of lavender made products from lavender bath bombs to insect repellent. The store also contains a variety of handmade items from over 40 vendors in the area. Enjoy a slice

of Small's Fruit Farm apple pie and coffee in their adjoining banquet area. After visiting the Lavender Farm, we will travel a few miles down the road to Small's Fruit Farm. Covering five generations, the orchard has been in the same family since 1895. The farm is surrounded by apple orchards; you can purchase apples and fresh apple cider in the farm sales barn. A cooler will be available on the coach for those who would like to purchase frozen apple pies.

Hitchcock Nature Center in Honey Creek, Iowa, is the last stop of the tour. Learn about the fall hawk migration during a slide presentation at the center. Later spend time to enjoying the scenic fall colors from the center's large observation deck. Maybe catch a glimpse of a hawk or eagle passing through the area.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2024

8:00 am - 6:15 pm \$99 per person

Pick up at Lithuanian Bakery and West Omaha Location

Register online at travelcattours.com or call 531-777-2124

