



FOX VALLEY NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS

October 2009

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Winter is an etching, spring a water color, summer an oil painting, and autumn a mosaic."

Stanley Horowitz



Board Meeting

Tuesday, October 6, 2009

9:30 a.m.

Hostess

Joyce Papiech

RSVP by September 30

Our Social Club is also a mosaic; a conglomeration of different backgrounds, ages, and interests abundant with love, talents, and spirits of service. The selfless giving of time and effort among the board members, committee members, special interest groups, helpers, hostesses, and volunteers; whose names are too numerous to mention, is commendable. I feel blessed to be a part of a fine and enthusiastic sororal family so willing to be helpful and supportive.

A fragmented mosaic looks unattractive, distorted, and lifeless. Mosaics are most beautiful when they are complete. It is up to each of us to do our part to complete this wonderful puzzle.

Is it not true the more altruistic we are, the more blessings and enjoyment come our way? No wonder, FVNN ladies are fun to be with!

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NEWS 'N MORE

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NEWSLETTER SURCHARGE

At the September 1, 2009 Board meeting, a unanimous vote decided that effective immediately, members who wish to continue having the monthly newsletter sent via USPS will be subject to a surcharge of \$1 per issue beginning January 2010.

Please send your check for \$5 to pay for the January through May issues to Jeanne Borger .

If you are 65 or over, you are exempt from this surcharge. However, the Board hopes that if you have a personal email address and access to a computer and printer, you will continue to download your newsletter regardless of your age.

Please advise Jeanne Borger if you are exempt and still wish to receive your newsletter by mail.

Thank you for your cooperation. FVNN 2009-2010 Executive Board

IMPORTANT: The Board is asking for your help. It has been determined that FVNN needs to file for nonprofit corporation status with the IRS. We fall into the classification of a 501(c)(3), a charitable nonprofit. We need an attorney to help us with this application. If you are an attorney, are married to an attorney, or just have a good friend who is an attorney who might be willing to help us file our paperwork pro bono, please call Jimmie Haessig at.

October Birthdays

Janice Leehy	10/02
Lorrie Marsiglio	10/02
Rosa Fitch	10/05
Christine Seitanakis	10/05
Cindy Eldridge	10/11
Joanne Stiritz	10/11
Jackie Stratton	10/16
Nancy Lilly	10/23
Pam Watson	10/29
Cathy Snyder	10/30





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Invites You to Join Us

At
Riverside Receptions in Geneva

Wednesday, October 21st 2009

Join your friends or make new ones, at Riverside Receptions, overlooking the beautiful Fox River!

11:30 am~ Social Time

12:00~ Lunch and Program

Menu

Butternut Squash Soup

Oven Roasted Pork Loin with Wild Rice and Seasonal Vegetables

Dessert: Cinnamon Ice Cream

Tea and Coffee are included

Wine is available for \$4 ~ cash only

Soda is available for \$2 ~ cash only

After lunch Pamela Schutt will do a presentation on “Dressing for Your Body Type”.

Cost is \$23.00 which includes lunch, gratuity, and tax.

Deadline: Checks must be received by Tuesday, October 13th. Your check is your reservation and is non-refundable. If you are bringing a guest, please include her name on the check. Make check Payable to FVNN and mail to: Jacque Laughlin-Blatner.

Hospitality & Helping Hands Committee

**Kathy Alcock
Lisa Constantelos
Theresa Stiven**

Please call us if you need a ride to the lunches or if any emergencies arise please call, we are here to help.

Our condolences to Sharon Fredrickson & Family on the death of her Father-in-Law.

Civic & Service

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Jewelry Party sale. It was an overwhelming success and a great way to start this season's fundraising activities.

Coming up next is a "Trunk Sale" (similar to a garage sale). Jimmie Haessig has purchased a spot for us at the sale held yearly at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, St. Charles. The sale will run from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 26th, in the church parking lot. Here's a chance to clean out your garage, basement, attic, or closets and donate those unwanted items. Salable household items, books, toys, games, antiques and collectibles (no clothing or shoes, please) are needed and all proceeds will go to our charity, Lazarus House.

Drop off your items on the day of the sale at: Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1145 N. 5th Avenue, St. Charles or Drop off items before the sale beginning Monday, September 21st at: the home of Lynn Ruskowski. Please call Lynn at to arrange a convenient time.

Kay Michels * Judy Binder * Lynn Ruskowski * Marge Kaminky



Smile

Every year a photo album is presented to the President. We would like for everyone to be included, so please take pictures of your group and your activities and give them to Joyce Papiech.

The next newsletter deadline is
Sunday, October 11
Send articles to Judy Reiss

Please type articles in Arial 10 pt.
Thanks
Judy Reiss



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

AFTER SIX

Marcia Follman(630) 762-0195

Is an activity for individuals and couples to enjoy time together in a social atmosphere.
Hi to all! If you didn't make it to *AFTER 6* in September, you missed a good time!
So mark these dates on your calender.

October 16th
at the home of
KIKI CONSTANTINE
7:00 P.M.
BYO your own special drink
A heavy appetizer.
Pop, Water & Coffee are provided.
RSVP to Kiki by Tuesday, October 13th.

Please Note:

After Six in November will be the 2nd Friday, November 13, due to the Thanksgiving Holiday
Details to follow.

There will be no *After Six* in December.



BOOKENDS

Cathy Fitzgerald

The **Book Ends** will meet on Wednesday October 14th at 9:30 a.m. at the home of **Cathy Fitzgerald**. We will be discussing *Isabella Moon* by *Laura Benedict*. Please RSVP to Cathy Fitzgerald by Monday October 12th to let her know if you will be attending

THE BOOKIES

Jimmie Haessig

The Bookies will meet on Wednesday, October 14, 9:30 a.m., at the home of **Patricia Burch**. We will be discussing "The *Private Patient* by P.D. James. Please RSVP to Patricia by Monday, October 12. If you need directions to Patricia's house, please consult Mapquest or your GPS before calling her.

BOOKWORMS

Sharon Fredericksen

Bookworms are meeting at the home of Tallie Denton, on October 28th, to discuss "*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society*" by Mary Ann Shaffer and Annie Barrows. We will meet at 9:30 for coffee. Discussion will start at 10. RSVP.

Knot So Nifty Knitters

Karen Bricker

Bring your current knitting project or we can teach you to knit. Our group meets second and fourth Mondays at 1:00 pm at Arcedium Coffeehouse 60 Indiana St Charles- near Blue Goose. Call for more information.

EXCELLENT ADVENTURES

Lorrie Marsiglio

Many thanks to members Patricia Burch, Pam Schutt, and Joyce Papiach for planning our first events.

If you would like to join our group, and have an idea to share, we'd like to hear from you. But, please remember, when you decide to offer an event, be prepared to organize it, and carry it out from start to finish. This has worked very successfully, for the last 3 years, and has eased the workload for everyone involved.

Also, please remember some of our events never make it into the newsletter, because of the time that they are offered, and the only way you'll hear about an event is via email, or word of mouth. So keep on the lookout.

Here's a recap of the trip to Long Grove on Tuesday, September 29---Patricia Burch is coordinating a shopping trip and lunch to beautiful, historic Long Grove. Give her a call by Friday, September 25. If you'll be car pooling with others, please remember to reimburse your driver for gas.

Joyce Papiach is planning a trip on **Thursday, September 24** to Chicago to see the new modern wing at the Art Institute, (www.artic.edu) There is no charge, as it's offered FREE during the hours of 5 to 8 p.m. You'll take the 1:37 p.m. train from the Geneva station to Chicago, arrive at 2:47 (giving you plenty of time for a bite to eat). Your return trip will leave Chicago at 8:40 p.m. and arrive in Geneva at 9:50 p.m.

Once you arrive downtown, you'll be off to a nearby restaurant for a quick bit to eat, then you'll be off to check out the FREE exhibit. (Please note---no formal tour will be given on the 'free' night.) ----Husbands and friends are invited. If you're interested in going, give Joyce a call no later than Monday, September 21.

IMPROMPTU LUNCH GROUP

Patricia Burch

Impromptu Lunch Group is an opportunity for FVNN members to plan a "Impromptu Lunch" whenever the urge strikes. If you have an urge to meet a few ladies for lunch at your favorite restaurant or want to be contacted whenever other members feel the urge, then email me with your restaurant of choice information and or email address. So far our group has 52 members!! Some events may have 30, 20, 10 or less than 5 participants and all are perfect sizes! Let's get the season started with planning "Impromptu" food, fun and friendships!!!!

GOLF GROUPIES

Pam Krisak

Join a fun group of FVNN members for 9 holes of golf at Pottawatomie golf course in Saint Charles. Play is every Thursday morning weather permitting. Call Pam Krisak anytime prior to noon on Tuesday before the day of play to be added to the list of players.



MONTHLY BRIDGE

Gloria LaRocca

Jeanne Borger

FVNN has two social bridge groups that meet at the Colonial Café on Main Street (east side of St. Charles) from 9:45 am – 2:30 pm. We play a little, have lunch, and play a little longer. No partner is necessary. One group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month; the other group meets on the 4th Thursday. If you enjoy playing bridge, we'd be delighted to have you join us on October 8 and/or October 22. If you would like to join one or both of these groups, be on their substitute lists, or just learn more about them, please contact Gloria Larocca or Jeanne Borger.

Regular players: Please be sure the hostess knows your intention to play or not play no later than Monday before the scheduled game. The hostess for October 8 is Maureen Basile and the hostess for October 22 is Phyllis Learish.



SPARE TIME!

Judy Reiss

Gail Carroll.

Join us for a great time bowling all levels of players welcome! We will be bowling twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at 10:30 a.m. at Saint Charles Bowling Alley to bowl 2 games, just for fun, at \$3 a game, shoes are extra \$3.50. If you would like to join us please call or email prior to Thursday before the day of play to be added to the list of bowlers

MARATHON BRIDGE

Betty Nowak

Lynne Burner

For those unfamiliar with Marathon Bridge: Partnerships play different opponents each month, October through May (the summer months are available to make up unflawed games), with scores accumulating until the end of the year. Each team will "host" 3 or 4 times in their homes. In September, we will have a get together where the prize money is awarded. This is a very relaxed and friendly group and all levels of play are welcome. If you don't have a partner and would like to play, let Betty know, we *may* be able to pair you up. It would be great to get a few new teams involved, so please encourage your fellow Bridge players to try us out!

DANCE, DANCE, DANCE

Marilee Dennis

Come and join the newly formed dance group! We will be learning recreational dancing like, Cha-Cha, Samba, Waltz, Tango, etc... No experience necessary. Please contact Marilee Dennis .



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
September 28	29	30	October 1	2	3
1:00 Knot So Nifty Knit Spare Time 10:30	Excellent Adventure				
5	6	7	8	9	10
	Board Meeting 9:30		Bridge Lovers Golf Groupies		
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12	13	14	15	16	17
Knot So Nifty Knitters Spare Time 10:30	Luncheon Deadline	Bookends 9:30 The Bookies 9:30	Golf Groupies	After Six 7:00 p.m.	
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19	20	21	22	23	24
Dance, Dance, Dance 10:00		Luncheon 11:30	Bridge Lovers Golf Groupies		
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26	27	28	29	30	31
Knot So Nifty Knitters Spare Time 10:30		Bookworms 9:30	Golf Groupies		Halloween (United States)
					November 1