

# Saline Newcomers

Building “community” one friend at a time...

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## A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, BRENDA TERPSTRA

I don't know what's happened to the snow, but the calendar is pointing to Christmas just around the corner. We'll soon be gathering for the annual ornament exchange –always a fun time.

We're still working out the mechanics for a couple interest groups, but there's no lack of fun activities from which to choose in this Club. Our newest members have noted this and expressed their pleasant surprise at such variety. I'm here to remind us all that it doesn't just happen. I have counted the number of volunteers who are serving us on the Board, as Coordinators, or chairing one of our Special Interest Groups, and the total is more than one third of our membership who are supporting our Club with their efforts. That, Friends, is what makes Saline Newcomers special!

So, somewhere in the midst of the holiday season, let's remember to offer the gift of appreciation to these volunteers who keep it all going.



And, on behalf of the Board, may I extend to each of you our best wishes for a blessed holiday season. Now, let it snow!



Hi all that have signed up for Dinner group!

We are having our kick off party on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm. It will be held at Elizabeth and Rick Jarzembowski's home; 4539 Links Court, Ann Arbor MI 48108 – in the Stonebridge Subdivision. We are asking each couple to bring their favorite hors d'oeuvre, and a silly or serious white elephant gift to share. Please RSVP by the 10<sup>th</sup>. 734 662 5088

The matrix and schedule for the future dinner groups will be handed out at the party.

Looking forward to seeing soon!

**Special Interest Group Chairs**

- Barbie Bunco:** Gina Harrison 429-0409
- Book Club:** Liz Hartley 944-5360
- Bunco Babes:** Sue Wodkowski 944-2428
- Bunco Belles:** Mary Jo Schulte 944-1076
- Card Club:** Sue Wodkowski 944-2428
- Chick Flicks:** Susan Philp 476-9545
- Euchre I:** Sue Wodkowski 944-2428
- Euchre II:** Mary Norton & Brenda Lorey  
260-4947
- Day Trippers:** Susan Lenz 369-6166 &  
Mary Lou Feight 429-8337
- Dinner Group:** Elizabeth Jarzembowski  
662-5088
- Friday Cocktails:** Amanda Mephram  
316-2483 & Elizabeth Devitt 804-527-2233
- Lunch Bunch:** Cheri Scrivan 470-6109 &  
Jayne Haynes 929-5663
- Men's Poker:** Ben Schafer 429-3919
- Playgroup:** Rebecca Meyers 526-9472  
& Amanda Mephram 316-2483
- Walking Club:** Deanna Richter 944-2609

**Night Trippers**

Thirteen of us had a great afternoon attending the play, "Escanaba," at the Purple Rose Theater on Sunday, Nov. 22, followed by dinner at the Common Grill in Chelsea. The play was very enjoyable, and the company at the dinner even more so! In fact, we were having such a good time we had difficulty pulling ourselves away from the table after two hours.

Mark your calendars for the next Night Trippers outing for Saturday night, January 23. More information to follow in the January issue of the Newsletter.



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**Angel Network**

Newcomers, if you know of a member experiencing an illness, a birth, or the death of a family member, please send an email to **both** Liz Kostora at [arnienliz@comcast.net](mailto:arnienliz@comcast.net) and Brenda Terpstra at [bterpstra@comcast.net](mailto:bterpstra@comcast.net).

Thank you!

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## WELCOME WAGON SERVICE

If you are new to Saline (within the past year) or know someone who is, please enjoy the services of the Welcome Wagon. (Pass it on!)

Contact Sue Corcoran at 734-944-4799 for your Welcome Package of coupons and information about businesses in the Saline Area and things to do.



## Please join the Saline Newcomers for our Annual Holiday Party & Ornament Exchange

to be held December 17th at 7:00 pm at Melissa Solomon's home.

Soft drinks provided (otherwise BYOB)

In addition, if your last name begins with:

A-J: Please bring a dessert to share

K-Z: Please bring an appetizer to share

Don't forget your wrapped ornament for the exchange (\$5 limit)

& an item for donation to Saline Social Services if you want to participate in our drawing (see page 6).

A reminder with directions will be sent out via email.



### Book Club

Read Elizabeth Hartley Winthrop's, *December*, to find out why eleven year-old Isabelle suddenly stops speaking. Come in from the cold and join us on December 15, 7:00 at Borders, Lohr Rd. Take a few hours to relax with a cup of your favorite specialty coffee or a mug of hot chocolate while we discuss *December*. Any questions, call Liz @ 944-5360.

### Dinner Club

Kickoff party on Saturday, December 12<sup>th</sup>. at 7pm.  
See feature article on page 1.  
Contact Elizabeth Jarzembowski 662-5088

### Men's Poker

Poker group will be meeting on December 4th at Ben and Marsha Schafer's home. As usual it is BYOB for the poker players, and Marsha will have an outing for the others. We will all get back together for desert.

Remember: hold 'em, fold 'em, but always play 'em.

Contact Ben Schafer 734 645 6800

### Barbie Bunco

The Barbie Bunco gals will be meeting at the home of Claudia Hill on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Claudia's address is 150 Lily Valley Drive, in Saline. Please remember to bring a \$5.00 gift for our holiday exchange. Also, if your last name begins with the letter A-H, please bring an appetizer. If your last name begins with the letter I-Z, please bring dessert. No need to secure a sub if you cannot make it.

Contact Gina Harrison at 429-0409

### Euchre I

Judy and Buzz Neeb will be hosting.

Date yet to be determined

Contact Sue Wodkowski at [suein-saline@msn.com](mailto:suein-saline@msn.com) or 944-2428.

### Card Club

Will not be meeting in December. If you would like any information about the group contact Sue Wodkowski at 944-2428 or [sueinsaline@msn.com](mailto:sueinsaline@msn.com).

### Bunco Babes

We will be meeting at Marybeth Myers on Wednesday, Dec 2 at 7 PM. Remember to bring your ornament for our exchange.

If you need the sub list, contact Sue Wodkowski at [suein-saline@msn.com](mailto:suein-saline@msn.com) or 944-2428.

### Euchre II

Contact Mary Norton  
or Brenda Lorey 260-4947

### Night Trippers

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### Bunco Belles

Any questions please feel free to call Mary Jo Schulte at 944-1076. Thanks everyone.

### Friday Cocktails

Contact Amanda Mephram at 316-2483  
or Elizabeth Devitt 804-527-2233

### PLAYGROUP

To join the Thursday Playgroup,  
Contact Amanda Mephram at 316-2483.

To join the Friday Playgroup,  
Contact Becky Meyers at 526-9472.

### Chick Flicks

Contact Susan Philp at 476-9545

### Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch gals will enjoy a festive December lunch at the historic Gandy Dancer restaurant at noon on Friday, December 11. RSVP to [CheriScriven@yahoo.com](mailto:CheriScriven@yahoo.com) or 734 470-6109.

### Walking Group

No Walking: 12/3 & during the holiday break: 12/21-1/3 (resume on 1/4/10)

Walk M-F 9:30am-11am @ Liberty school gym. Park in the front of the school, use the glass doors to enter and the gym is on the right hand side. Hopefully we'll see more of you with winter approaching!

Any questions? Deanna Richter 944-2609  
cell:734-347-2693 [dlr714100@comcast.net](mailto:dlr714100@comcast.net)

### Day Trippers

#### FRIDAY DEC. 4th DAYTRIPPER'S EVENT

Please join us for a fun shopping/lunch experience in the unique town of Tecumseh. Antique shops, boutiques, artisanal gifts and more! Lunch location to be announced, suggestions welcome.

Carpooling from Saline Library at 9:00 a.m.

Please let Susan Lenz ([sjlenz@comcast.net](mailto:sjlenz@comcast.net)) 369-6166 know if you plan to attend lunch, shopping, or both.

### Newcomers Worker Bees



A Volunteer Group, new this year!

If interested, contact Michelle Warwrzynski at [shelld8@aol.com](mailto:shelld8@aol.com) or 944-9040.

### Welcome Coffees

For more information, contact Susan Henderson  
998-0473.

# December 2009

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## Community Service

### Board Members

President:	Brenda Terpstra 944-5486
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Secretary:	Liz Kostora 429-4931
Treasurer:	Mary Jo Schulte 944-1046
Newsletter Editor:	Rebecca Random 709-2445
Historian/Publicity:	Susan Lenz 369-6166
Special Interest Coordinator:	Cheryl Girvan 944-7120

### Standing Committee Chairs

Angel Network:	Liz Kostora 429-4931
Communications/E-mail:	Lisa Rentschler 944-0307
Website:	Nancy Grecko 323-0653
Community Service:	Ginny Lilja 944-3230
Newcomer Welcome Service:	Sue Corcoran 944-4799
Welcome Coffees:	Susan Henderson 998-0473

We have the opportunity this Christmas season to provide necessities for some Saline families who are struggling. As you can imagine, in these tough economic times, the number of families in our community who are in need has risen. The wish list this month from Saline Social Services includes new socks and underwear for adults and children. As you are doing your Christmas shopping this year, take a moment to include some of these items in your shopping bags. We will be collecting these items at the Christmas party on Dec. 17th. Thanks for giving and sharing the Christmas spirit!



Saline Newcomers also deliver Meals on Wheels to Saline area residents on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Thursdays of each month. If you have some free time and are available around lunchtime on any of these days, you could receive free training to be a driver. Meals on Wheels is a much needed service in the community and I would love to hear from you if you have an interest in making a difference. Thanks,

Ginny Lilja 944-3230  
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