

Bloomington Newcomers & Neighbors News

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NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS CLUB



Long time member and former President, Mary Bohenkamp passed away January 22, 2024.

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Vacant: Would you like this position?

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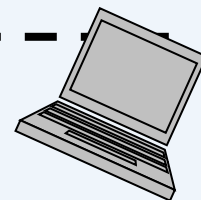
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- Announcements and RSVP forms
- Current newsletter
- Photos
- Membership Application



WANTED: Photos of your group activities. Send to any of the following:

- Debbie Zerr for Facebook: dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net
- John DePaemelaere for website and end of year slide show: john.depaemelaere@outlook.com

Visit our page on Facebook:

Bloomington Newcomers & Neighbors Club

Debbie Zerr: dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net

Book Club 1 is accepting new members.

Peggy Brown 815-263-6913

peggyb1013@gmail.com

Publication Deadlines

Send to the **newsletter editor** any general announcements no later than the 10th of the month.

Please send **requests for special occasion cards** (e.g. Sympathy, Get Well, Wedding) to Jan Greenwood. (No birthdays, please.)

The **Newcomers & Neighbors News** is published for members of the BNNC. Annual membership is \$20. First time members: discounted rate of \$10.

RSVP

For the

Spring Fling

To be held at

Oliver Winery

May 14th, 2024, 6:00 PM

Buffet Menu

Kassler Rippchen

Sauerbraten

Bratwurst

Spaetzle Noodles

German Fries

Green Beans

Sauerkraut

Tossed Salad

Fried Biscuits and Apple Butter

Cobbler

Water

Oliver Cash Bar after 1 complimentary drink

Meal once again catered by Schnitzelbank Restaurant from Jasper, IN

Music

RSVP Deadline is May 7th!

Spring Fling RSVP

No payments taken at the door
Make check payable to: BNNC

Mail RSVP and check to:

BNNC

PO Box 8231

Bloomington, IN 47407-8231

Name(s): _____

Cost: each @ **\$50.00** x ____ = \$ _____

For Office Use Only

Amount: _____

Check Date: _____ Check No. _____

BNNC meetings will be at Hoosier Hank's East, 1285 S College Mall Rd.

They have a variety of food on the menu besides their pizzas. No RSVP needed. They have a nice large meeting room. Mark your calendars in March and April for the second Tuesday at lunch time for exciting events! Please do not arrive before 11:15 AM; program starts at noon. Plenty of time to order and socialize before the presentation!

You are welcome to attend without eating; please come and join your friends.



March 12th: Spring will be here soon, and we're fortunate to have Mary Cusack, Past President of the Monroe County Master Gardeners Association, as our featured speaker. Mary will be discussing the activities of MCMGA, including information about the upcoming Garden Fair scheduled for Saturday, April 13th, 2024.



April 9th: Tom Figolah, Fire Prevention Officer for the City of Bloomington Fire Department, will be the speaker for our meeting. Tom is an experienced firefighter and is a sought-after fire safety educator who will provide critical information that can save lives and property.

Please be sure to take photos of your group events! Forward those photos to john.depaemelaere@outlook.com for inclusion in the newsletter.

Luncheon Meeting January 9th, 2024 At Hoosier Hank's East





Luncheon Meeting February 14th, 2024 At Hoosier Hank's East



Board Meeting 1-4-2024



Future TGIF Events

We need volunteers to host future TGIF events on the 2nd Friday of each month.

TGIF dates for May through December, 2023, are open at this time.

Contact Hollie Lutz if you would like to host TGIF.

hlutz4@gmail.com (812) 320-8386

Bill and Brenda Reed

March 8, 2024

6-8 PM

2403 E Gramercy Park Drive, Bloomington 47408

RSVP

Bill (512) 517-6782

Brenda (702) 682-1109

Bob and Linda Shanks

April 12, 2024

6-8 PM

3079 N NATASHA DR BLOOMINGTON IN 47404

RSVP:

Bob: (812) 876-0551 rlshanks62@gmail.com

Linda: (812) 876-0551 lsbanks61@gmail.com

RESOURCES FOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

WEBSITES FOR EVENT INFORMATION

visitbloomington.com/events— a comprehensive listing of local events

Check out the City of Bloomington website for City events and local governmental information:

<https://bloomington.in.gov/about>

Don't forget to check out events throughout the state:

visitindiana.com/events

Wine Club

January 7, 2024



Fun Lunch Bunch

January 11, 2024

At Vivencia





Hiking Group

January 19, 2024



Book Club 1 met Wednesday, 31 Jan, at Bell Trace and discussed "Slaughterhouse Five" by Kurt Vonnegut. One of the great antiwar books with focus on the firebombing of Dresden with a search for meaning in our fractured lives.



Lunch and a Movie



February 6 2024 at Mother Bear's



Fun Lunch Bunch

February 8, 2024

At Cheddars



3rd Monday Canasta

February 19, 2024



Spirits Group

February 19, 2024
Southern Stone
Anyone can attend!



International Issues February 22-2024



Hiking Group February 23, 2024



Tulip Trestle Viewing Platform, Solsberry, Indiana.



Greene County Sculpture Park, Solsberry, Indiana

INTEREST GROUPS

Do you have an interest in a topic that you would like to share? Why not consider being a leader of an interest group? You can meet as often as you like, or when an opportunity comes up!



Needlework Group 2nd Thursday, 11 AM—Carol Peterman peterman53@yahoo.com

Please contact Carol at (812) 323-7823 for more information. At my home.

New members welcome, but call me if you plan to attend.



Book Club #1-Peggy Brown peggyb1013@gmail.com (815) 263-6913

Meets the last Wednesday of the month at Bell Trace Chapel at noon.

Book Club 1 will discuss "Letter from a Wondrous Empire" by Cynthia Mosca in March. We meet the last Wednesday of each month.

Always welcoming new members.



Book Club #2—Book Club 2 meets on the 4th Friday of each month at Noon, with occasional date changes around the holidays. If interested, contact Izzy Beck greavesbeck@gmail.com or (949) 439-8560.



Railroad Group—Paul Lutz crfan59@yahoo.com (812) 322-4669

John DePaemelaere john.depaemelaere@outlook.com (812) 322-2630

All things railroad, model trains, historic videos, field trips and more.



Prompts Writing Group—Jerry Gonyo (812) 287-8879 jerrygonyo@comcast.net.

Meets the 3rd Thursday at 2 PM.



International Issues—Andy Bratton a7bratton@aol.com (732) 236-8543

Meets 4th Thursday 4:30 PM at Red Lobster. Andy will email the topic a few days before.



Local Plays Group

LEADER NEEDED



Hiking Group--Charlotte Reitz charlotte.reitz@gmail.com (812) 457-2285

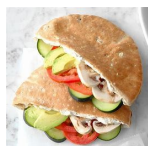


**Meditation Group--Kimberly Hughes
kim4meditation@gmail.com (646) 238-2908**

NEW!

Good Eating & Beverage Groups!

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Fun Lunch Bunch Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month. Call Joan for reservations.
Joan Lawrence indycondo19@gmail.com (217) 820-5009



Men's Breakfast Every Thursday 8:00-9:30 AM

John DePaemelaere (812) 322-2630.

This group meets at the Bedrök Café, 409 S Walnut Street.

Free parking. We hope to see the regulars and new faces.



Wine Tasting Linda Burton brtnlin@yahoo.com (812) 369-4611

This group is currently full.



Wine Tasting Ruth Simon prsimon@gmail.com (812) 339-8291

This group is currently full.



Spirits Group John DePaemelaere john.depaemelaere@outlook.com

Contact John DePaemelaere for the next meeting date and location (812) 322-2630.
RSVP to John.



Lunch and a Movie DeeDee Bratton dianebratt@aol.com or (732) 2236-8543

We meet the first Tuesday of the month for lunch then your choice of a movie. Deedee will email a list of movies and the name of the restaurant the week before. Call her for lunch reservations.



Cards & Games



Mah-Jong—Ruth Simon prsimon@gmail.com (812) 340-4233

'We play the hybrid military way.' Please come, observe and play with us. We would be glad to have you.

Cribbage Group—Susan Hiller (773) 678-4280
greenviewsusan@gmail.com

Meets the 4th Thursday of the month in members' homes at 2 PM. March 25 and April 22 for Cribbage. Offering instruction and welcoming new members.

Ladies Bunco—Debbie Zerr dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net
(574) 220-2561 Meets the 3rd Thursday.

Canasta Group 1 Meets first Friday at 1 PM in members' homes: 3/1/24 GAIL WILL HOST. 4/5/24 HEIDI AND JAN WILL CO-HOST.

New Canasta Players always welcome.

Canasta Group 2 meets on the third Monday of the month at 1 PM at home of Susan Montgomery
montgomery_4884@msn.com
(812) 325-4611

New Canasta Players always welcome. You can play on Monday or Friday! We'll teach you to play!

Dick Mellinger is interested in forming a poker group some time soon.

If poker sounds interesting call Dick at (574) 532-1291
or email: dick.mellinger@gmail.com



Cards & Games



4th Monday Bridge Linda Burton

brtnlin@yahoo.com (219)-793-5498

Need more players!

3rd Friday Ladies Bridge Linda Burton

brtnlin@yahoo.com (219)-793-5498

4th Friday Couple Bridge Karen Karpinski

(812) 334-0623

Call Karen to confirm date and location.

3rd Wednesday Bridge--Connie Clark (479) 365-9270

conmclrk@gmail.com March: Nancy Smith will host. April: Monica Dignam will host .

1st Tuesday Men's Bridge Rich Weyand

weyand@rcn.com New members welcome!

3rd Thursday Men's Bridge Rich Weyand

weyand@rcn.com New members welcome!

1st Wednesday Bridge--Mary Rucker

March 6 Connie Clark 479-365-9270, 3609 E 3rd Street; April 3 Mary Rucker 812-219-1636, 735 E Olde Mill Circle. We meet at 12:30. Please call Mary 812-219-1636 if you have gotten a sub. You may also call the hostess with that information.



BLOOMINGTON 2024-2025 BNNC Membership Application and Directory Form

**Use this form for both new membership and membership renewal.
Please print.**

The information is published in a directory and shared with members.

Circle any information you do NOT want listed in the Directory

- To participate in any BNNC Interest Group an individual **MUST** be a paid member
- Membership Year: June 1 thru May 31. Annual Dues Per Household: \$20.00.
- **Special discounted fee for first time members is \$10 for the first year.**
- Late payment may result in not being included in the directory.
- Membership is open to any resident of the Bloomington area.

PLEASE CHECK ONE: <input type="checkbox"/> NEW MEMBER <input type="checkbox"/> MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL		bloomingtonnnc.com	
Name(s) REQUIRED: 1. 2.	Email: 1. 2.	Birthday (month/day): 1. 2.	
Address: City and zip:	Mailing Address (if different): City and zip:	Preferred Phone contact: 1. 2.	
New Members: Moved here from & year moved: 1. 2.	New Members: Hometown (if different): 1. 2.	New Members: How did you learn about Newcomers? 1. 2.	
Please make check payable to: BNNC		Mail completed form and payment to: BNNC PO Box 8231 Bloomington, IN 47407-8231	
For Office Use Only			
Check Date: _____ Check No. _____ Amount: _____ Dep _____			
New Member _____ DB _____ Directory _____			

Interest Group List

Members may join any of the following interest groups. Simply circle those that you might be interested in and your contact information will be forwarded to the group leader. You may select as many groups as you would like. Duplicate the form when there are two members in a household with different interests. You may also download a copy from the website at www.bloomingtonnnc.com.

Needlework	Men's Breakfast
Gardening	Wine Tasting
Mah-Jong	Spirits Group (Tasting)
Ladies Bunco	Local Plays
International Issues	Ladies Bridge
Canasta	Men's Bridge
Book Club 1	Couple's Bridge
Book Club 2	Mixed Bridge
Lunch & Matinee	Railroad Group
Fun Lunch Bunch	Prompt Writing
TGIF	Hiking Group
Ladies Night Out	
Getting to Know You Dinners	

The BNNC newsletter provides contact information, details of meeting dates and locations for those groups. The newsletter is sent to all dues paying members.

BNNC is always looking to add new groups.

You can create a group!

Would you like to be a leader?