The Newcomers & Neighbors News

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12 New Chapters, 365 New Chances



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- Announcements and RSVP forms
- Current newsletter
- Photos
- Membership Application
- A **list of members** who can recommend a variety of services.
- AND MORE



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:

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Publication Deadlines

Interest Group calendar submissions should be sent no later than the 10th of every other month to **Susan Hiller at:**

greenviewsusan@gmail.com

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.

"We will open the book. Its pages are blank. We are going to put words on them ourselves. The book is called *Opportunity* and its first chapter is New Year's Day." — Edith Lovejoy Pierce

Monthly Late Winter—Early Spring Meetings And Presentations

January 12th Presentation

What can lift you out of the Winter doldrums more than the flash of red from a Cardinal or a Robin or a glimpse of blue of a Blue Jay?

January 12 - David Rupp, owner and guide of IndiGo Birding Nature Tours, will speak to us about the birds that call Indiana home. We live in an area that has a variety of habitats for nesting birds and serves as a migratory route for many other species. David will discuss, among others, Goose Pond Fish and Wildlife Area, Greene County, Indiana, and Lake Monroe natural areas.



February 9th Presentation



Marco Ajelli, PhD., Associate Professor, Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, Indiana University School of Public Health

For a timely topic, Professor Ajelli will speak about basic principles of epidemiology and how they relate to what experts and the media are reporting to the public during the pandemic of Covid-19.

At the time of this publication, all monthly meetings are planned to be held by Zoom. Members will receive an email prior to the meeting with instructions as to how to link to Zoom.

March 9th Presentation



Just in time for daffodil season on the grounds of the T. C. Steele State Historic Site, located between Bloomington and Nashville, we'll have a presentation from Jessica Stephens. She is the site manager of the Historic Site, and will talk about the artist, his wife, his studio, and the grounds and events presented there throughout the year.



"Every morning I take off my hat to the beauty of the world", engraved over the fireplace at T. C. Steele's home, House of the Singing Winds

April 13th Presentation



"The Bloomington Playwrights Project is the only professional theatre in the entire state of Indiana focused solely on new plays. What you see at BPP, you can't see anywhere else in the world.

Over the last 40+ years, BPP has developed and produced more than <u>500 new plays and musicals</u>."

Even though the pandemic put a halt to live theater, the BPP thought of creative and inventive ways to bring theater to our homes. The BNNC will see a presentation from BPP management about the Project's past, present, and proposed future plays and musicals, when you the audience are the first to view a new production.



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

Men's Breakfast

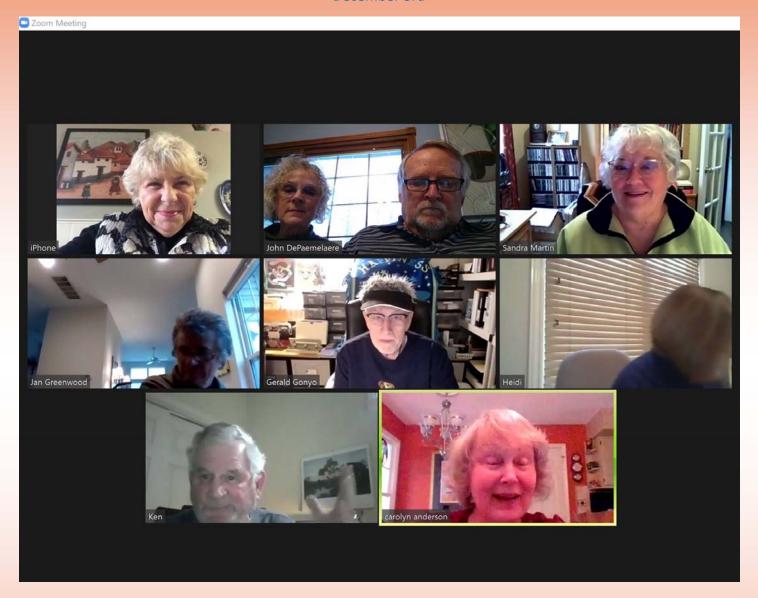
December 3rd at Bedräk Cafe



L-R Paul Casey, Paul Lutz, John DePaemelaere, Bob Shanks and Bill Reed.

Zoom Board Meeting

December 3rd



If your group is meeting, or, you see other members out and about, be sure to take photos and forward to John DePaemelaere

Holiday Party 2020

At the American Legion













Spirits Group

At C3 On December 16th



Spirits Group members enjoyed a crisp December evening in a three sided tent. Overhead radiant heaters help take the chill away. Great food and drink was enjoyed by all.







INTEREST GROUPS!

NOTICE—MOST GROUPS ARE ON HOLD DUE TO COVID

Contact any group leader to learn more about the group or to confirm meeting date, time or location. Let the host know that you plan to attend.



Garden Club—Rosie Johanson rjohanson@gmail.com (708) 269-2418

Call or Text to make reservation and to discuss carpooling and lunch options.



Needlework Group 2nd Thursday, 11 AM—Carol Peterman peterman53@yahoo.com Please contact Carol at (812) 323-7823 for more information.



Lunch & A Matinee 1st Tuesday— Dee Dee Bratton dianebratt@aol.com (732) 236-8543 We see an afternoon movie at the AMC on the Westside with lunch at a nearby Restaurant. An email is sent to members of the group the weekend before the meeting. Contact Dee Dee if you would like to join.



Book Club #1—Susan Hiller greenviewsusan@gmail.com (773) 678-4280 Zoom meeting at 12 PM, welcoming new members.



Book Club #2—Sharon Roth artgal99@gmail.com (812) 822-1533 Meets at 10:30 on Friday mornings. Currently there is a wait list.



Book Club #3—Karen Belton beltonkaren1@gmail.com (732) 236-8543 Meets at the home of Gail Feagans, 858 W. Baywood (301) 351-5197



International Issues—Andy Bratton a7bratton@aol.com (732) 236-8543 Meets 4th Thursday at Red Lobster. Andy will email the topic a few days before.

Good Eating Groups



Fun Lunch Bunch 3rd Wednesday 11:30 AM

Janie Harnett Jane.harnett@comcast.net (812) 339-4528



"Getting To Know You" Dinners

Ginny & Jerry Myerson jgmyerson@hotmail.com (812) 824-9019
6-10 people come together for an intimate meal once every two months

Contact the Myersons for information.

Ladies Night Out 6 PM







TGIF 6:00-8:00 PM Connie Clark conmclrk@gmail.com (317) 850-8202

This group meets in members' homes. Attendees bring an appetizer to share and their beverage of choice, besides soda & coffee. (No red wine please, without host approval.)

We hope to see new faces. Call Connie if you would be willing to host.



Men's Breakfast Every Thursday 9:00-10:0 AM John DePaemelaere (812) 322-2630.

This group meets at the Bedräk Café, 409 S Walnut Street, Free parking. We hope to see the regulars and new faces.

Note: John DePaemelaere is temporarily leading this group during the Covid pandemic.



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

This group is currently full.



Spirits Group John DePaemelaere john.depaemelaere@outlook.com

Contact John DePaemelaere for the next meeting date in January (812) 322-2630



Cards & Games



These groups shaded gray are filled.

3rd Monday Bridge



4th Monday Bridge Linda Burton

brtnlin@yahoo.com (812) 369-4611

1st Tuesday Bridge Linda Burton

brtnlin@yahoo.com (812) 369-4611

4th Tuesday Duplicate Couples Bridge

Helen Sauer (812) 822-2474

2nd Wednesday Ladies Bridge 12:30

Mary Rucker maryflynnrucker@gmail.com

(812) 333-0734

3rd Wednesday Bridge 12:30

Susan Graham (812) 369-4118

3rd Friday Ladies Bridge Linda Burton

brtnlin@yahoo.com (812) 369-4611

4th Friday Couple Bridge Karen Karpinski

(812) 334-0623

Call Karen to confirm date and location.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT-3RD THURS 6:30 PM Janie Harnett, jane.harnett@comcast.net (812) 339-4528

The groups below are seeking new members.

Mah-Jong Gayle Tieman lentieman@yahoo.com (763) 491-6017 Contact Gayle to be added to this group.

Cribbage Group—Offering instruction and play.

Susan Hiller (773) 678-4280

Canasta Meets first Friday at 1 PM

Jerry Gonyo jerrygonyo@comcast.net

(812) 287-8879

New members still welcome.

1st Tuesday Men's Bridge Rich Weyand

weyand@rcn.com

3rd Thursday—Men's Bridge



Games and cards is looking for a new leader to keep the group going. If you would like to volunteer to serve as the leader or would like to join, send your contact information to Connie Clark *conmclrk@gmail.com* (317)850-8202