



# NEWCOMERS/ LONGTIMERS NEWS & VIEWS



## From The President's Perspective

Julie Lane-Van Meter

N/L President

2023-2024

Summer is here! A little dry I know, but these sunny, warm days have been wonderful.

Although most of our activities take “summer vacation”, your 2023-24 Board has been busy planning our events for the year.

We have also welcomed many new members. We can’t wait to get to know you all better when the season officially kicks off.

And speaking of Kickoff: Newcomers/Longtimers’ first bash will be held on September 21<sup>st</sup>. Make sure to watch for your Evites. Kickoff is for EVERYONE. It is our way of welcoming you all back to the new year and also showing others who may want to join all the upcoming fun we have planned. Spread the word!

The newsletter this month will catch you up on what has been going on this summer. Thanks to all who have continued to help and participate.

I hope everyone continues to have a great summer.

We can’t wait to see you all in September.

Julie

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# New Book Club

## BOOZY BOOKWORMS HOLD FIRST MEETING

The newest book club held an enthusiastic meeting and made some big decisions – like their name.

This daytime book club plans to hold its discussions at 2:00 pm on the last Tuesday of each month.

Whenever possible, they will gather on the patio of Dierbergs and if the weather is sour, they will

adjourn to the Conference Room.

You're invited to join them on July 25th when they will be discussing "Daughters of Nantucket" by Julie Gerstenblatt.

To find out more details, email Paula Constantini at [paulac1610@gmail.com](mailto:paulac1610@gmail.com).

# Membership

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO GET AHEAD!

Did you know you're a member of an organization that has a club year of June 1 thru May 31? That's why you hear so much about dues this time of year.

Do you know how important your dues are to the club? All board members and activity chairs are volunteers. Dues are the club's only source of operating income!

Did you know you can go to the front of the line at Kick Off in September if your dues are paid?

Did you know the various chairs and vice chairs are busy planning another exciting year for YOU!

Get ahead and send your check for \$30 made out to NL to Paula Constantini, 128 Park Circle, Lake Ozark, MO 65049. If you have questions, feel free to email Paula at [paulac1610@gmail.com](mailto:paulac1610@gmail.com)

PS – Be sure and let Paula know of any email, address or phone changes so you can always be in the know.



# Welcome New Members

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS IN THE MONTH OF JUNE

We are so happy to introduce you to our Newbies. Check the Membership Directory for more details.

**SUE AMES** – Sue didn't let any grass grow under her feet. She attended the June Happy Hour and met up with some of her NL friends. Sue is a computer guru as well as enjoying knitting and gardening.

**EVELYN FANELLO** – Evelyn is part of a family group of Karen Leary and Evelyn's daughter, Catherine Leary, also a new member. I'm sure we'll see Evelyn in the fall when all our social activities begin. Until then look for her at Happy Hour and Ladies Bunco.

**STACY GIER** – Stacy and her husband, Dan, live in Lake Ozark. Pat Thompson and Ursula Ortmeyer introduce NL to Stacy. You'll see her at Ladies Bunco among other things – and she plays cribbage in case anyone is looking for a partner.

**CATHERINE LEARY** – Cathy and her husband, Howard, live in Osage Beach. Like her sister-in-law, Karen Leary, Cathy will be a social butterfly. Until fall, we'll look for her at Ladies Bunco and Happy Hour.

**KOREN PARRISH** – No, that is not misspelled! Koren and her hubby, Derrick, live in Camdenton and came to NL thru Working Women Wednesday and Amy Beckett. Koren is a yoga teacher and strong on organization. We're looking to enlist her in our newest Book Club, among other activities.

**KATHLEEN SOKOLOWSKI** – Kathleen is a friend of Jane Golchert and Amy Lovig. She attended the June Happy Hour as a guest and must have liked NL. She'll be joining Single Ladies in the fall among other things.

**TERI VALLADOLID** – Teri is another Amy Beckett recruit thru Working Women Wednesday. She not only bakes, sews and crafts but also budgeting and event planning. I know we can use her talents in the future.



# Membership

## A MEMO FROM THE MEMBERSHIP TEAM

Thank you to all who have paid their dues for club year 2023-2024 (June 2023-May 2024). We are about a third of the way so keep those checks coming in. Remember, you can pay Paula Constantini at most events or mail your \$30 check to Paula at 128 Park Circle, Lake Ozark, MO 65049.

Currently, we have almost 325 members. Can't remember when we were still getting new members in June. Usually, our big influx is at Kickoff in September.

Speaking of, this year we are making a concerted effort to be sure members who have not been able to attend and had to suspend their membership for one reason or other, are contacted and welcomed back at Kickoff. If you have a friend who fits in this category, please be sure to encourage her to attend Kickoff and rejoin the Club. If you thought last year was busy, you "ain't seen nothing yet!"

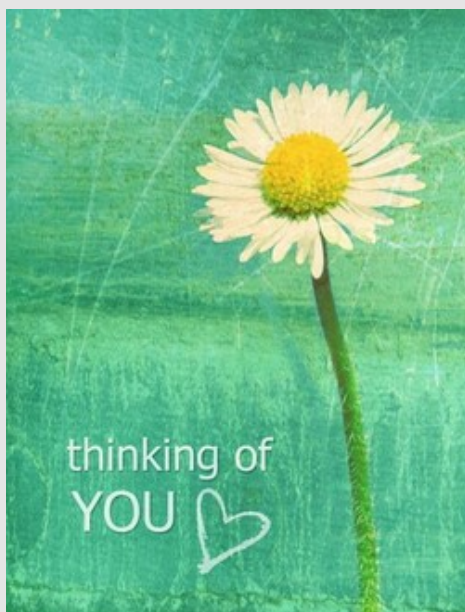
Because you have kept us so busy this year, we have formed a team to help you navigate your journey in Newcomers. Barb DeLuca continues to check members in at events, collect dues and be sure you get your receipt. Shirley Baker will be organizing Newbie Lunches this coming year and Diana Wilson is our girl Friday and into everything. Let us know when you have questions about membership and we'll do our best to answer them.



*Your New Newcomers/Longtimers Executive Board for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Left to Right.*

Patti Cook, Pat Kreger, Mary Sue Bennett, Joann Engel, Jackie Zimmerman and President, Julie Lane-Van Meter.





Debbie Bick



Debi Okrim-Hulsebus

We want to support our members in any way possible. If you know of a fellow member that needs some encouragement please let our Corresponding Secretary, Patti Cook, know and she will send them a greeting card.

[patticookie53@gmail.com](mailto:patticookie53@gmail.com) or 563-340-5416





# Summer Activities Notes for July & August

## **HAPPY HOUR**

1st Tuesday of the month 4-6pm

No July gathering due to holiday craziness  
August 1 st

Look for your “Evites”

## **LADIES BUNCO**

4th Thursday of the month 11am-2pm  
at Golden Corral in Osage Beach

\$3.00 to play & bring some money for lunch they break at noon  
for lunch.

**Everybody Buncos** is done until October

The last Monday for **Pickleball** was May 22nd.

The **Book Clubs** still meet through the summer .

**Cards & Games** still play.

Our season has been busy and full of fun memories & new

friends.



Karen Leary  
Special Activities Chair



# Ladies Bunco



*On the weekends between 4-6 PM the water in our cove sparkles like diamonds. So I coined the phrase, “**Diamonds on the Lake**”. Our neighbors know it’s Cocktail Hour when we see those sparkling diamonds on the lake. We all meet on our deck and try a new cocktail. It’s been a lot of fun over the years.*

*Ladies, I’m not really a bourbon girl, but when my husband, David made this cocktail I couldn’t get enough of it. So if you want to beat the July heat, give this cocktail a whirl.*

*Drink up Ladies,  
Mary Stewart*

## ***Peach Bourbon Slushie***

3 Cups Ice  
2 Ounces bourbon  
2 Frozen peaches  
1 Tablespoon Vanilla  
Simple syrup

Add peaches & bourbon to a blender.  
Blend,

Add simple syrup blend again. If your mixture is too runny add more ice.





## N/L Scholarship Fund

Happy New Year! (New fiscal year, that is. It began June 1) And boy, did you all make the old year go out with a bang!

The final total Newcomers /Longtimers will be able to award for scholarships this December is \$7,000!

Our goal was \$5,000. Talk about over achievers! You women are fantastic! Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU!

Pat Kreger

Treasurer

**Please send any donations for the Scholarship Fund to:**

***Pat Kreger, N/L Treasurer - 85 Comanche Rd, Lake Ozark, MO. 65049.*** In the memo area on the check or on a note, please designate: **"Scholarship Fund"**

### What will 2023 - 2024 bring?

Stay tuned for scholarship updates. We've already begun collecting and planning some fun activities. A big thanks to all the June Happy Hour attendees: \$122 is a great start for next year's scholarship fund!



*Enjoy the sun, boating, swimming, BBQ,  
cocktails and relaxing at the Lake everyone!*

*We are so blessed to live here.*

*Mary Stewart*

