

# NEWCOMERS/LONGTIMERS NEWS & VIEWS



Debby Nickless,  
2020-21 N/L President

## From the President's Perspective

May is here! Our functions have started. It has been so good to see many old friends and make new friendships! We are looking forward to all the great activities in May. If you have not signed up to attend one, please do so. You might just meet your new best friend!!

The Road Rally will help us raise funds for Kids Harbor. Please participate by buying a card or two at one of our activities in May. Also join friends and have fun visiting new and historic places around the lake.

This has been an unusual year as a result of the pandemic. I want to "Thank You" for handling the situation with such grace and understanding!!

It has been my pleasure to serve as your President.

Look forward to seeing you in the future-

Debby

  
There's nothing  
better than a friend,  
unless it is a friend  
*with chocolate.*

-UNKNOWN

## Introducing Your 2021-22 Board Members

Our proposed slate of officers for next season was introduced at the April luncheon and were unanimously and eagerly approved by the membership in attendance. Our officers for next year will be:

**President** - Karen Robinson

**1st Vice President** - Iris Wright

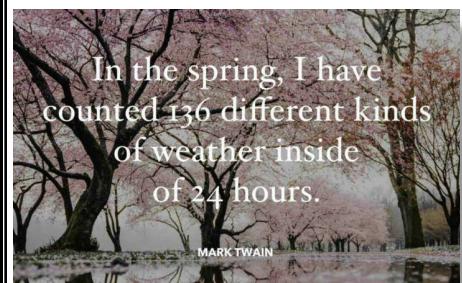
**2nd Vice President** - Donna Hamilton

**Recording Secretary** - Jackie Zimmerman

**Treasurer** - Carol Browne

**Corresponding Secretary** -  
Vickie Faulstich

Congratulations to our new leadership, and thank you for serving!



## 2020-2021 Newcomers/Longtimers Executive Board

President	Debby Nickless	573-374-0779	nicklessdk@gmail.com
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# COMMUNITY AWARENESS SPOTLIGHT

## The Changing Table

**More than 100,000 diapers donated since 2016!**



This month's community outreach spotlight is on **the Changing Table**, which is a nonprofit diaper bank serving the Lake of the Ozarks community. Their mission is to improve the health and dignity of Mid-Missouri families by providing sustainable access to diapers and period products.

Founded by **Jessica Rozier** in 2016 as a Christmas holiday diaper drive, Jessica soon realized the need for diapers in the lake Ozarks area. For that first diaper drive, she paired up with HyVee, School of the Osage and Camdenton Parents as Teacher's groups. In just a short day and a half, joined by several volunteers, they were able to collect over **20,000 diapers**. In 2017, Jess joined forces with Hy-Vee and local volunteers to do the same diaper drive. In 2018, The Changing Table received 501(c)3 status and opened a thrift shop where families could donate items related to pregnancy and early childhood, volunteer their time, and raise money and awareness for the diaper need in the lake area.

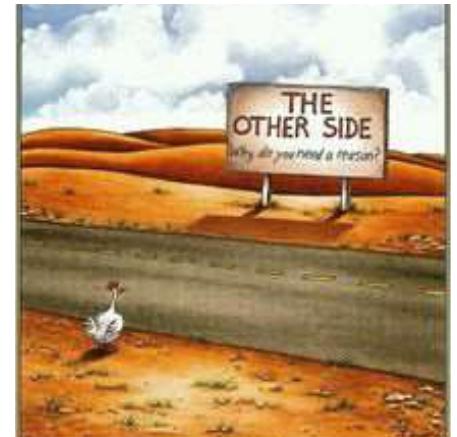
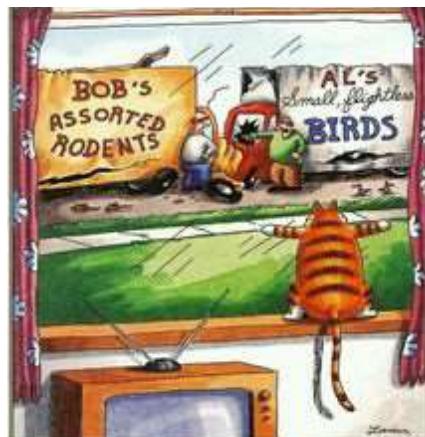
In July of 2020 they were accredited by the **National Diaper Bank Network** and continued to work to fulfill their mission. In September they hosted their first annual Diaper Drive Golf Tournament which was a big success. Winter of 2020 brought even more community partners, diaper need education, and successful diaper drives. The arrival of 2021 brings yet another goal for this civic-minded young lady – period products placed in local schools so that girls will not miss school just because they lack the feminine hygiene products necessary to attend classes.

At the **May luncheon**, Jess will be our guest speaker and speak about her latest endeavor. Luncheon guests are encouraged to bring **feminine hygiene products** to support this program.

You can find more info about The Changing Table and volunteer opportunities at [www.changingtable.org](http://www.changingtable.org)

The Changing table is located in Osage Beach near the Outlet Mall.

### A Little Comedy from the Far Side, Just for Laughs.....



# Celebrating the Month of May and the Language of Flowers



Flowers are known for having their own language, with each type and color of bloom whispering its secrets within the floral marketplace. One stunning bouquet tells tales of love and devotion, while another is like a soft pat on the hand during a time of bereavement. Local florists, usually well-versed in regional and national flower-speak, can craft entire messages simply by placing a certain color flower next to another and letting them have their say. Next time you are ordering or receiving a flower delivery, notice the colors of the flowers and think of the messages they send.

Pink Flowers - a very romantic flower color, speaking of gentleness, happiness, and love.

Red Flowers - Vibrant, passionate and demanding to be noticed, red is the color of love and romance. Red flowers symbolize courage, respect, constancy, admiration and, of course, desire.

Blue Flowers - a bouquet containing peaceful blue flowers may be a sign to slow down, relax and release the stress.

White Flowers - White flowers can mean reverence and humility, purity and innocence or sympathy for a bereavement.

Depending on the type of blooms a bouquet of white flowers can be bold and brilliant, or gentle and self-effacing.

Yellow Flowers - Yellow flowers burst with happiness. They symbolize the bonds of friendship, the taste of success and pride. Joy is also one of the meanings of this flower, as that is one of the feelings the color is said to evoke.

Lavender Flowers - Youth and elegance, grace and refinement. Lavender flowers have a delicate, feminine and old-fashioned touch to them, even when contained in modern bouquet.

Orange Flowers - No wallflower, here. Orange is bold, passionate and full of life. It's no wonder that orange blooms speak of enthusiasm, excitement and exuberance.

Green flowers - represent the optimism of renewal, of spring and of youthfulness. Green flowers in a bouquet are also a wish for good fortune and good health.

Purple Flowers - A royal color, purple flowers symbolize dignity, tradition and success. A bouquet containing purple flowers can be symbols of admiration and adoration.

## Wishing You Well

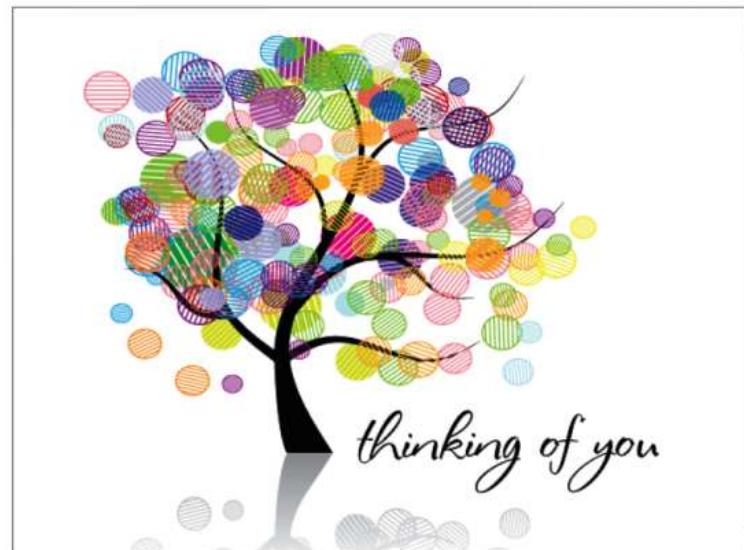
The last couple of months have seen many of our members in need of special hugs and prayers. Please keep them in your thoughts and wish them well.

### In Sympathy

Debi Ockrim- Hulsebus (loss of sister)  
Mary Bustin (loss of mother)

### Thinking of You

Gayle Camarda  
Russ (Robyn) Roehl  
Judy Webb  
Trish Munson  
Dee Treece  
Patti Cook  
Kathleen Fitts  
Janet Vanderveld  
Marsh Gust  
Donna Humble



# MEMBERSHIP & ACTIVITY NEWS

After a tentative “trial run” in April, our activities are back in full swing!

Remember too that it's 2021-2022 DUES time! Please look for Paula Constantini at upcoming N/L functions and come with your check for \$20 made out to N/L. Or, you can send your check to Paula Constantini, 128 Park Circle, Lake Ozark, MO 65049. If you have any changes of address, phone numbers or email addresses, contact Paula at paulac1610@gmail.com.

**NOTE: VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED TO STAFF THE ROAD RALLY LOCATIONS. PLEASE CONTACT KAREN ROBINSON AT 573-692-3544 IF YOU CAN LEND A HAND TO THIS WORTHY CAUSE.**



## On Your Mark. Get Set...GO!!!

### Final Plans in Place for Kid's Harbor Road Rally

Please join us on May 23 for a fun drive around our beautiful lake area to help raise funds for Kids' Harbor.

**Here's what you need to know:**

Rally cards will be available for purchase in advance at all N/L events throughout the month of May.

The Rally will start at Osage Beach City Hall between 1:00 - 2:00, where you will pick up your road rally cards, information sheet and map, and draw your first “bonus” chip. You may purchase as many cards as you would like at \$10.00/card cash or check only. This is the ONLY PLACE to purchase road rally cards on the day of the event.

There are 10 different businesses around the lake area who will be participating in this road rally. You can choose which ones you would like to visit. You will draw a poker chip from 5 of the 10 venues of your choice for scoring.

We will all convene at LAKE HOUSE 13 no later than 5:30 where you will draw your second “bonus chip” and turn in your score cards to be tallied.

Grand prize is \$100.00 cash with many other prizes to be awarded at that time.

PLEASE RSVP ( YES or NO only) to the Evite no later than May 18 so we can give Lake House 13 a head count.

Participating Businesses are Osage Beach City Hall, Sailor's Brew, Wilmore Lodge, Harmy's Cheese, A Pinch of Happiness (spice shop), Thunder Mountain Conservation/Bridal Cave, Ha Ha Tonka Visitor Center, Captain Ron's, The Littlest Chocolatier, Brick House Cajun Restaurant, Shawnee Bluff Winery, and Lake House 13.

### N/L Members Celebrate the Return of Dining Out...Join us at Michael's Steak Chalet on May 11

JB Hooks hosted 60 Newcomers/Longtimers members and their guests on April 11. Everyone was thrilled to be able to again socialize in person. It had been a long time! Debby Nickless was our gracious host for the evening, thank you Debby.

Proceeds from the 50/50 Raffle were donated to our charity of the month, Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption. Thank you to all who participated.

Our next (and final for the season) dining out will be on May 11 at Michael's Steak Chalet. Cocktail hour beings at 5 pm with dinner served at 6 pm. Please check the Evite for more information and menu choices.



# Membership & Activity News (continued)

## "REUNITED AND IT FEELS SO GOOD"

Peaches and Herb topped the charts with this hit in 1979. And N/L topped the Happy Hour attendance charts with that sentiment for April's Happy Hour. We had over 90 RSVP's and Redheads' hosting was a smash success. This was our largest Happy Hour group, yet! Prior to Covid, we averaged around 50 attendees. What will May bring? Seventy-five, so far, have RSVP'd yes for Backwater Jack's. "So excited that we're reunited, hey, hey!"



## PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR MAY LUNCHEONS



The month of May brings two opportunities for the ladies of N/L to get together and enjoy each other's company.

On May 18, all of our newest members are invited to join us at JB Hook's at 11:30 for our special "newbie" lunch. This event, held twice a year, is intended to provide our new ladies the opportunity to get to know the board as well as each other. Many a great friendship has sprung up from this get-together! Please see the Evite sent to all of our newbies.

On May 20, our monthly luncheon will take place at the Inn at Grand Glaize beginning at 11 am. This month offers a busy agenda as in addition to the installation of our 2021-22 officers, it is also our annual business and vendor fair. This provides the opportunity for our members who own service-related business to showcase their product. We will also be collecting feminine hygiene products as part of the "Period Poverty Project" sponsored by the Changing Table (our charity of the month). These products will be distributed to local high schools so that girls will not miss school for lack of feminine protection. Please see the Evites for more information on the luncheon or to arrange a table at the fair.

## BUNCO AND CARDS MAKING A COMEBACK

Our Bunco group will resume its year-round play on May 27 from 11 to 3 at Golden Corral. No experience is necessary at all to play.

After a "test run" in April, the Canasta and Bridge groups will meet in their traditional formats on May 6 at Lake Ozark Christian Church. Play begins at 10 am.



Please see the Evites for more information and to RSVP. We are excited to have these activities back in full swing!

