

Singles Outreach **Services Inc.** **July Activities**

From the desk of the President

Greetings Members,

Hope all of you are well and enjoying your summer. I am writing you today to share a few things with you.

We will be cutting back on our summer programming giving you the chance to enjoy all the fun activities offered in our area. We will continue with some of our regular programming throughout the summer and pick up special events in September.

In June we held our Board Meeting which included our election of officers. I am pleased to say that all of our Board members chose to remain and renew their positions. The following positions filled are President Dave Freeman, First Vice President Esther Miklic, Second Vice President Gerald Bioleau, Treasurer Scott Stewart, Assistant Treasurer Luella Dozios, Secretary Pat Clarke, Note Taker Advisor and Executive Director Ann Parillo, Board Members Bonnie Russell, Joyce Ringermacher, and Loretta Raymond. Board Advisors Maria Immediato, Joan Slingerland, and Jerry Durovic.

We also had a very successful Memorial Day picnic. Great food, and Great entertainment provided by Don Hyman. We also acknowledged member Russ Harrington with an award "Member of the

Year" for everything he did for the organization over the past year. Not only is Russ a great Santa at our gift exchange, but he was very helpful in completing many projects during our renovations his efforts are greatly appreciated. Who will win next year? Will it be you?

In closing I would like to say thank you to all our members for being a part of our organization.

President David J. Freeman

July Fourth Picnic

Monday July 4, beginning at noon we will be celebrating with a picnic. We will be having lunch at noon, we are planning this to be a potluck. Feel free to bring your beverage & something for grilling. Chef Russ H. will be doing magic on the grill.

A deejay will be playing your requests for your listening and dancing pleasure. We will also have cards, games, and fun. This will be held outside by our office at Hanover Square 435 New Karner Road. \$5.00 with a dish to pass, \$10.00 without.

Writers Workshop

On Monday July 18, at 1:00 p.m. a writer's workshop will be held, hosted by Maria Immediato.

Bring in what you may be working on to share with the group, express your opinion on others works, try a few of our writing prompts. \$4/6

Bingo!!!

Bingo will be held on Mondays July 11, & 25 at 1:30 P.M.

Take me out to the ballgame...

SOS is planning a group outing to a Minor League baseball game. The local professional team is the "Tri-City Valley Cats, and "Tri-City" refers to the 3 cities of Albany, Schenectady and Troy.

The games are played at Joseph L. Bruno Stadium ("The Joe"), 80 Vandenberg Ave Troy Ny 12180. The stadium is on the campus of Hudson Valley Community College.

Parking is free and tickets are \$14.00 each. The seats are "premium" seats, i.e. excellent seats. The game is Thursday July 7. Game time is 6:30 p.m. We will meet in front of the Box Office/Ticket Office at 6:00 p.m. to buy the tickets and go in. In previous newsletters we had the game listed as Wednesday July 6. A few members have mentioned the Cats have several Fireworks nights throughout the season and the Fireworks show is very good. So, this way we can maximize our "bang for the buck" (extremely poor pun is intentional. sorry).

For anyone who is not a sports or baseball fan, here is my "sales pitch". I have always found going to a game to be very relaxing. Typically, it is a nice warm/hot summer night and it is a very relaxing activity. Minor League teams tend to do a lot of "fun" things throughout the night and that enhances the enjoyment (in my humble opinion).

Questions? You can contact Mike at jersey_mike_rutgers@yahoo.com or phone 562-719-3139. So, any questions feel free to e-mail me, text or call.

Hope to see you at the game!!

Successful Event

It was Thursday the 19th of May when I opened for our writer's workshop. Only one person attended that night, but I decided to proceed with the event anyway. It seemed to me that this person needed to have something to do.

We waited a bit before starting, but no one else showed. I had a book of writing prompts, asked the person attending to give me a number she chose nineteen.

We turned to that page and read aloud the writing prompt. It instructed us to write about how you met your significant other. We sat for a while working on our stories, when we had finished it was time to share.

I read mine, then she took her turn. She read her story with great feeling a story that was very well written. After she had finished, she explained that nineteen had a special meaning for her, today being the 19th, it was her late husband's birthday.

She thanked me for the opportunity to write about this that it had provided her with great comfort. Her take on tonight's event reconfirmed for me the purpose of our organization.

To offer a safe place for people to come to and feel comfortable in being themselves. Even though this event was not well attended, I feel that the results of the evening made it a great success.

Sundays July 3,10,17,24,31

- Outdoor tennis 10:00 am contact Dan at 518-629-0088 for details
- Potluck dinner 2:00 p.m. \$4/6 with a dish to pass \$10.00 without.
- Darts/cards/games 4:00 p.m.
- Campfires 6:00 p.m.

Tuesdays July 5,12,19,26

Real World discussion group 7:00 p.m. \$4/6

- July 5 "Ice Cream" Joan
- July 12 "Sound Effects" Joan
- July 19 "What's New in The News?" Dave C.
- July 26 "Fun Controversial Topics" Terri

Wednesdays July 6,13,20,27

- Open bowling at spare time lanes Route 2 Latham \$10.00 includes 3 games and shoes. Contact Judy at 518-374-0765 for information.

Thursdays July 7,14,21,28

- Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 a.m. Enjoy walking and/or biking with a great group of friends followed by a lunch at a place chosen by the group. Contact John at vabchpop@aol.com for details. A different location each week get on the email list today!
- Mahjong -- come and share the fun. Noon \$4/6

Fridays July 1,8,15,22,29

- Golf tee time 9:00 a.m. Call office for location at 518-452-6883

Saturdays July 2,9,16,23,30

- Game Night 7:00 p.m. enjoy an evening of games/cards with friends. Got a game you want to play bring it along. \$4/6

Special Events**Monday July 4**

- Potluck picnic noon see page 1

Thursday July 7,

- Join us for a baseball game information on page 2.

Monday July 11

- Bingo 1:30 p.m. for fun and prizes \$4/6

Monday July 18

- Writer's workshop 1:00 p.m. see page 1

Monday July 25

- Bingo 1:30 p.m. for fun and prizes \$4/6

We are cutting back on special activities for July and August as there are so many things to enjoy around our area. We are working on bringing you a great line up of events beginning this September

Punnies: Hindu Legend

The legend is told in India about a stick and a stone that were of some small service to a Hindu holy man. Out of gratitude he offered to transform them into any object they desired.

The solid stone wanted to be a strongbox or safe to hold the holy man's sacred relics. The vain stick indicated it wanted to become a Hindu woman's beautiful gown or sari.

Thus it came to pass: the stone became a strongbox and the stick became a sari. The night after the transformation, a terrible fire ravaged the village, burning down every house.

The holy man's hut was destroyed and along with it the beautiful sari. The safe was the only thing that survived.

Moral: It's better to be safe than sari.

Butterflies Among Us

By Miss Carla Page

This month I invite you to please take a happy journey with me. I am dedicating my article to my close friend, Nita June Borland.

May 15, 1933 – May 20, 2022 born in Albany N.Y.

We lost her 5 days after her 89th birthday. This is my applause, salute, and standing ovation to honor her. Affectionately known as Aunt June, Nita June was mother to Keith, and William, grandmother of five, great grandmother of ten, and like a mother to some. Every night Nita, and her younger sister Rita would read bedtime stories to her sons.

Invincible lady, phenomenal woman, talented, gifted, precious child of God. With a huge glowing heart to serve others. She had a deep passion for art, poetry, cooking, reading, research, writing, and more. Nita was fascinated by different cultures, and religions. Her and her best friend Mrs. Ethel Allen, traveled all around the world, and took many boat cruises. A human being who lived life positive, and peaceful, who loved life and who saw value in all backgrounds.

Full of wisdom and knowledge, she wasn't afraid to dream. She was a dreamer and many of her dreams come true. Her dreams are in the "Butterflies Among Us". Her legacy will live on strong. On June 5th, the day of the "In loving memory of" service, her excellent artwork was placed all around the room along with June's two poems, "Autumn Ecstasy" and "Home" both copywritten and published.

Miss June, as the children called her, had a one woman exhibit and multiple group art shows at the Hamilton Hill Arts Center (Schenectady N.Y.) and all over. She was a long-time member of Black Dimensions in Art. Her creativity and vision was contagious especially to me. Apart of her stays in a part of us who knew her. Aunt June loved to give back, have parties, and introduce different foods, and music to her guests.

Her desire was to bring Awareness, acceptance, appreciation, and respect to the arts and artists. Who does she remind you of that you know?

She had beautiful eyes, smile, and spirit, who was all about etiquette. Ahead of her time, focused, but yet had a sense of humor. Aunt June received numerous awards and recognitions throughout her blessed life

A fulfilling life with so much more to write about, but I will close with Nita June's love and delight for dancing. We call it "Cutting the rug". She was the Dancing' queen and even when up in age her signature moves were "Shoulder Shrugs" everybody wanted to dance with her. She even won several dance contests. She loved upbeat music especially Earth, Wind and Fire. One of her favorite dance partners is Diane Delaney. People loved to watch them "Get Down" on the dance floor. Thank You Aunt June for just being you and thank you to your sweet family for sharing you with us. You will be missed. She was really cool.

Now May I have this dance?

I Am

By Ed Bardon

I am what I am that I am

I shall never play the NBA,
For I'll never be seven feet tall

I shall never be a math whiz
In higher mathematics
Although I am really good at
Basic math and multiplication

I am what I am that I am

I shall never give great speeches
In front of large audiences
For I am too shy for such a task

I shall never run a four minute mile
To begin you must train for this task

While there are many things I shall never do

Truly I can say my life has been blessed
For there are many things that I have done
And many more to come, I hope

ACTIVITIES UPDATES
are e-mailed weekly on
Wednesdays with any
changes or additions.

July 2022 Singles Outreach Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 26 Outdoor Tennis 10 & 11:30 Sunday Potluck 2:00 p.m. Games 4:00 pm Campfire 6:00 p.m.	June 27 Bingo 1:30	June 28 Real World 7 p.m. "Fun with Languages" Esther	June 29 Open Bowling 7 pm	June 30 Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 am. Mahjong/Games 12 pm	July 1 Golf 8 a.m.	July 2 Game Night 7 pm
3 Outdoor Tennis 10:00 am Sunday Potluck 2:00 pm Games 4:00 pm Campfire 6:00 pm	4 Potluck Picnic Bring your own meat to Grill Noon	5 Real World 7 pm "Ice Cream" Joan	6 Open Bowling 7 pm	7 Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 am Board Meeting 10 am Mahjong/Games 12 pm Baseball Game pg 2 Carla Page & Band at Niskayuna Town Hall Gazebo7 pm free	8 Golf 8 a.m.	9 Game Night 7 pm
10 Outdoor Tennis 10:00 am Sunday potluck 2:00 pm Games 4:00 pm Campfire 6:00 pm	11 Newsletter Deadline Bingo 1:00	12 Real World 7 pm "Sound Effects" Joan	13 Open Bowling 7 pm	14 Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 am Mahjong/Games 12 pm	15 Golf 8 a.m.	16 Game Night 7 pm
17 Outdoor Tennis 10:00 am Sunday Potluck 2:00 pm Games 4:00 pm Campfire 6:00 pm	18 Newsletter Mailing Writer's workshop 1:30 pm	19 Real world 7 pm "What's New in The News?" Dave C.	20 Open Bowling 7 pm	21 Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 am Mahjong/Games 12 pm	22 Golf 8 a.m. Summer Night Schenectady 5:30 Fireworks Free event	23 Game Night 7 pm.
24/31 Outdoor Tennis 10:00 am Sunday Potluck 2:00 pm Games 4:00 pm Campfire 6:00 p.m.	25 Bingo 1:30	26 Real World 7 pm "Fun Controversial Topics" Terri	27 Open Bowling 7:00 pm	28 Outdoorsy stuff 9:30 am Mahjong/Games 12 pm	29 Golf 8 am	30 Game Night 7 pm

Activities for Singles
July 2022 Newsletter
518-452-6883

Singles Outreach Services Inc.
Hanover Square
435 New Karner Road Box 301,
Albany, NY 12205
Community Room located at
Hanover Square (Hill Entrance

Do you or a friend have an event or party
coming up?
Need a place to have it?
Consider renting our room at Hanover
Square

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July 2022 Activities for Singles

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Coming Up!!!

Cruise

Speakers to return on Sundays

Directions: From 2W of Northway, go West on Central Ave. for 1.7 mi, turn right on New Karner Rd. (Rt. 155 – Rite Aid on corner) for 0.6 mi. Hanover Square is on the right, set back from the road. Middle door on right side of bldg. is labeled “Hill St.” entrance. In lobby, left door on ground floor.

Membership Form for Singles Outreach Services Inc --- Annual Dues \$30 – Make Checks payable to Singles Outreach -
- Mail to: 435 N. Karner Road Box 301, Albany NY 12205

Check one: ___ New Member or ___ Renewal Member Number if renewal _____

Print Name Clearly: _____ Phone # _____

Street Address: _____ Apt. _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address – print clearly: _____ Date: _____

You will receive Weekly Activities Updates emailed to this address.

Please place your signature below signifying that you are one of the following: not currently married, divorced, single, legally separated or

Volunteers Always Needed ! Do you have time to host an event or an idea for an event to be held in our community room? If so, please contact us we are always looking for new idea.

Singles Outreach Officers: President: David Freeman; **1st Vice President** Esther Miklic; **2nd Vice President:** Gerald Boileau,;

Secretary: Pat Clarke; **Notetaker** Ann Parillo; **Treasurer:** Scott Stewart; **Asst. Treasurer** Luella Dozois;

Additional Board Members: Joyce Ringermacher, Loretta Raymond, Bonnie Lee Russell, **Advisors** Jerry Durovic, Maria Immediato, Ann Parillo and Joan Slingerland. **Executive Director** Ann Parillo.

Heading up the following activities: Bowling: Judy DesChamps; **Dances:** Scott Stewart; **Game Night:** Luella Dozois & Dave Freeman, **Memberships:** Luella Dozois **Member Communication and PR:** Loretta Raymond; **Newsletter** Dave Freeman, **Weekly Updates:** Scott Stewart; **Outdoor Activities:** John Feret; **Real World:** Maria Immediato; **Programming:** Bonnie Russell, **Tennis:** Dan Streever, **Facilities &Mahjong** Pat Clarke,