

# Bloomington Newcomers & Neighbors News

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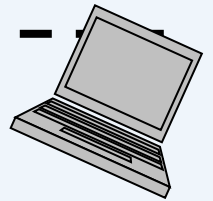
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**BNNC Membership year is June 1 - May 31**

## Bloomingtonnnc.com

- 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](mailto:dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net)
- John DePaemelaere for website and end of year slide show: [john.depaemelaere@outlook.com](mailto:john.depaemelaere@outlook.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.

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# HOLIDAY PARTY



**Our annual Holiday Party will be on Tuesday, December 10, 2023  
6 PM at the  
American Legion  
1800 W 3RD STREET**

**Our buffet menu will be Roast Beef, Turkey, green beans, whipped potatoes with brown gravy and a tossed salad with dressings. Our dessert will be either Apple Cobbler or New York Cheesecake. Please remember to take only one dessert per person. Cash bar.**

**The cost of tickets is \$30.00 per person.  
All reservations need to be made by Monday, December 2nd.**

Holiday Party RSVP	
<b><i>No payments taken at the door</i></b> <b><i>Make check payable to:</i></b>	Name(s): _____
<b><i>BNNC</i></b>	Cost: each @ \$30.00 x ____ = \$ _____
<b>Mail RSVP and check to:</b>	<b>For Office Use Only</b>
<b>BNNC</b>	Amount: _____
<b>PO Box 8231</b>	Check Date: _____ Check No. _____
<b>Bloomington, IN 47407-8231</b>	



**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 November, January, February, 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.**



**On Tuesday, November 12th** 2024, Gabe Gloden will be the featured speaker at our lunch meeting. In 2022, Gabe, along with three other executive staff and boards, led a three-way merger of area theatrical companies to create Constellation Stage and Screen, a professional theater and film company based in South Central Indiana. Gabe was also instrumental in the renovation and reopening of the John Waldron Arts Center. We'll hear about Constellation and about exciting upcoming productions!

December - No luncheon meeting - Enjoy our wonderful Holiday Party on December 10th at the American Legion.



Dr. Kathleen Gilbert, Professor Emerita from I.U.'s School of Public Health will be our speaker on **Tuesday, January 14th**, 2025. Over her 40-plus year career, Dr. Gilbert has studied, taught and written about death, dying, loss and grief. Though retired, she has stayed active in the field. She will share how grief and grieving play out within families and in other intimate relationships.

**Please be sure to take photos of your group events! Forward those photos to [john.depaemelaere@outlook.com](mailto:john.depaemelaere@outlook.com) for inclusion in the newsletter.**

## Future TGIF Events

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

TGIF dates for all of 2025 except December are open at this time.

Contact Hollie Lutz if you would like to host TGIF.

[hlutz4@gmail.com](mailto:hlutz4@gmail.com) (812) 320-8386

JoAnn and Kenneth Bretsch

**November 8, 2024**

6-8 PM

3936 E FENBROOK LN

BLOOMINGTON, 47401-7738

(812) 822-2066

[joannandken@yahoo.com](mailto:joannandken@yahoo.com)

Jeannie and Stephen Bodney

**December 13, 2023**

6-8 PM

4020 S GRAN HAVEN DR

BLOOMINGTON, IN 47401-9468

(812) 972-0254

[jbodney@outlook.com](mailto:jbodney@outlook.com)

## RESOURCES FOR EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

### WEBSITES FOR EVENT INFORMATION

[visitbloomington.com/events](https://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](https://visitindiana.com/events)

# Fall Kickoff









Book Club 1 met 28 Aug, at Bell Trace, to discuss "West with the Night", a memoir by Beryl Markham on her life growing up on her father's farm in British East Africa (Kenya) in the early 1900's. She became a racehorse trainer and African bush pilot. In Sept 1936 she became the first woman to fly east to west from England to North America and was celebrated as an aviation pioneer. Ernest Hemingway was deeply impressed with her writing, saying "she has written so well, and marvelously well, that I was completely ashamed of myself as a writer. She can write rings around all of us who consider ourselves as writers".



# TGIF

## At Carolyn Anderson's Home

### September 13, 2024



## 3rd Monday Canasta September 16, 2024



## Hiking Group September 20, 2024





# Spirits Group

September 18, 2024

Sahm's at the Point

Anyone can attend! Alcohol drinks not required.



# International Issues

September 26, 2024





# Spirits Group

October 8, 2024

Osteria Rago

Anyone can attend! Alcohol drinks not required.



# Fun Lunch Bunch October 10, 2024



# TGIF

## At Rex Hillery's Home

### October 11, 2024



# Wine Club October 20, 2024



# 3rd Monday Canasta October 21, 2024



# 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](mailto:peterman53@yahoo.com)**

*Carol Peterman, our group leader, is at this time not able to hold our meetings. It was decided to postpone our November and December meetings and meet again in January 2025.*

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

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



**Book Club #1-Peggy Brown [peggyb1013@gmail.com](mailto:peggyb1013@gmail.com) (815) 263-6913**

*Meets at Bell Trace Chapel at noon. Wednesday, **November 20**, we will discuss *The River of Doubt: Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey* by Candace Millard and in Wednesday, **December 18**, to discuss *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano.*

*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](mailto:greavesbeck@gmail.com) or (949) 439-8560.**



**Railroad Group—Paul Lutz [crfan59@yahoo.com](mailto:crfan59@yahoo.com) (812) 322-4669**

**John DePaemelaere [john.depaemelaere@outlook.com](mailto:john.depaemelaere@outlook.com) (812) 322-2630**

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



**International Issues—Andy Bratton [a7bratton@aol.com](mailto: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**



**Hiking Group--Charlotte Reitz [charlotte.reitz@gmail.com](mailto:charlotte.reitz@gmail.com) (812) 457-2285**

**Meets monthly.**



**Meditation Group**





# Good Eating & Beverage Groups!



**Fun Lunch Bunch Meets the 2nd Thursday of each month. Call Joan for reservations.**  
Joan Lawrence [indycondo19@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:brtnlin@yahoo.com) (812) 369-4611**

*This group is currently full.*



**Wine Tasting Ruth Simon [prsimon@gmail.com](mailto:prsimon@gmail.com) (812) 339-8291**

*This group is currently full.*



**Spirits Group John DePaemelaere [john.depaemelaere@outlook.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:greenviewsusan@gmail.com) NOV 25TH AT JERRY GONYO'S  
DEC.30TH AT SUSAN HELLER'S

Offering instruction and welcoming new members.

**Ladies Bunco**-Debbie Zerr [dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dlzerr321@sbcglobal.net)  
(574) 220-2561 Meets the 3rd Thursday.

**First Friday Canasta Group** meets at 1 PM in members' homes.  
NOV 1ST AT JERRY GONYO'S. DEC 6TH AT HOLLIE LUTZ'S.

**New Canasta Players always welcome.**

**Third Monday Canasta Group** meets on the third Monday of the month at 1 PM at home of Susan Montgomery.  
[montgomery\\_4884@msn.com](mailto: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](mailto:dick.mellinger@gmail.com)

**Domino Group - Janet Justus** [jjustus24@gmail.com](mailto:jjustus24@gmail.com)  
(321) 276-6080

Will be held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at the College Mall upper deck of the Food Court. We will meet at 11:30 AM for those who want to have lunch together at Azzip. At 1:00 PM the Games begin. The 13 games usually take 2 to 2 1/2 hours.



# Cards & Games



**4th Monday Bridge Linda Burton**  
[brtnlin@yahoo.com](mailto:brtnlin@yahoo.com) (219)-793-5498

**Need more players!**

**3rd Friday Ladies Bridge Linda Burton**  
[brtnlin@yahoo.com](mailto: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**  
[conclrk@gmail.com](mailto:conclrk@gmail.com) November 20th Cathy Korinek  
December 17th Carol Anthony .

**1st Tuesday Men's Bridge Rich Weyand**  
[weyand@rcn.com](mailto:weyand@rcn.com) *New members welcome!*

**3rd Thursday Men's Bridge Rich Weyand**  
[weyand@rcn.com](mailto:weyand@rcn.com) *New members welcome!*

**1st Wednesday Bridge--Mary Rucker**

*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.*

*November 6. Connie Clark is the hostess for 1st Wednesday bridge on November 6 at 12:30. If you have a substitute please let Mary or Connie know.*

*December 4. JoAnn Bretsch is the hostess for 1st Wednesday bridge on December 4 at 12:30. If you NEED a substitute call JoAnn (812-822-2066). She prefers to get her own subs*

