



# The Commonwealth Crier

## November 2019



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### President's Report

Happy November! The beautiful colored leaves are now on the ground and need attending to, along with all the spring ornaments being put away. Time seems to be going by ever so quickly where months are passing like weeks. The calendar is filling up, so please take note of our upcoming events.

The Commonwealth Club has endured yet another sad month of news with the passing of long time members.

John & Rita Gardner's son, Dave Gardner. Dave & Neil brought their mum to Friday fish and Trivia nights until her passing a couple years ago.

Bill Gittens, Bill & Pat joined the Club in 1968 and were very active members for many years prior to their retirement to Florida.

Rena Sunny, Jim & Rena were a big part of the Club's history as well. They helped out with a lot of the behind the scenes work with decorating and kitchen support.

Dave Riddler, Dave & Mina were also a big part of the Club's history. Dave played a big part of the Club's first expansion in the early 70s. The Riddler family will be having a celebration of life on November 9th from 12:00 - 5:00 at the Club. Please leave a message by calling 586-751-9560 if you would like to attend.

Our thoughts and prayers to the Gardner, Gittens, Sunny & Riddler families during this hard time.

All the best,

*Stephen*

Greetings!

### Hall Manager's Report

The calendar is filled up to the end of year. Looking for fresh ideas for 2020 so if you have any please see Diane or myself.

November 2nd brings back Pub Night with Doug Simonsen. This night is a fund raiser and a potluck so bring a dish if you wish. The 9th is our monthly Trivia which is a packed house. 16th is a fund raiser but open to all so please go to our website for details. The 21st features The Riverboat Ramblers, and the 23rd will be our final bingo for the year. November 27th is a steel tips darts toy fund raiser hosted by Tania Bielby. The Club will be closed the 28th - 30th for the Thanksgiving weekend.

December 7th Trivia has been moved to this night just for December. December 14th is our Annual Christmas party. It is no longer Members Only due to lack of attendance, so please fill free to bring guests. December 25th - 28th we will be closed for Christmas. 31st will be our New Year's Eve party. Please see Diane for tickets and details.

*Joann*

# Membership Secretary's Report

Please welcome the following new members to our Commonwealth Family:

Matthew & Michele Murto of Troy  
Patrick & Pilar Green of Warren  
Mindy Moore and Frank Santoro of Warren  
David Ferguson of Royal Oak  
Marilyn Ahlquist of Royal Oak

Roger & Stella Isaacson of Warren  
John Bartlett of West Bloomfield  
Ricky & Judy Maynard Sr of Clinton Twp  
Clyde Schabacker of Warren

*Marty*

## Trivia News

It may be chilly outside, but this season's competition is **HOT!**

Don't miss our next game on November 9th; Doors open at 7:00, play begins at 7:30. \$3.00 per person to play. And just a reminder - there is a team limit of eight members.

### STANDINGS

WTF	153	We're...Snacks	127
Wild Guess	149	Union Jacks	126
Smarty Pants	146	Silver Beavers	124
Foxes & Hounds	135	Crown Jewels	72
I Said That	135	We Don't Give A	67
Lumpy Rutherford	133	Guys & Dolls	56
Patty's Cousins	131	Nothing To Lose	50

## Chili Cook-Off Results

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone that made this an incredible night! Record-setting numbers were achieved, and our celebrity judges are already demanding that this be an annual event! In the People's Choice category, 1<sup>st</sup> Place went to new member Rick Maynard. 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Judge's Choice category was awarded to our very own Newsletter Editor, Paul Cornwall. Paul's recipe is published below.

## Editor's Comments

*Veni, vidi, vici*

### WILLIE'S CHILI

6 smoked turkey legs	½ c rice
1 c ground beef	½ c quinoa
1 c ground pork	1 T Gochujang (Korean Chili Pepper Paste)
1 c corn	1 T Ghost Pepper powder (I used my brother's)
16 oz tomato puree	Water

- \* Play Willie Nelson music while cooking
- \* Place turkey legs and about an 1 ½ in of water in pressure cooker and cook until tender – 40 minutes or so.
- \* Cool turkey legs, and then deskin and debone turkey legs
- \* Set aside cooking juices and decant all fat, saving the savory juice.
- \* Brown beef and pork, drain all fat.
- \* Combine all ingredients, adding water as needed
- \* Cook for at least 30 minutes and eat

*Paul*



# The Commonwealth Club Calender

November - December 2019



 <p>Saturday, November 2nd</p> <p>Pub Night with Doug Simonsen</p> <p>Doors Open at 7:00 p.m. \$5.00</p>	<p>Saturday, December 7th</p> <p>TRIVIA LEAGUE <i>Christmas Edition/Pot Luck</i></p>  <p>Doors Open at 7:00, Play starts at 7:30 p.m. Only \$1.00 per person if a donation is made to our Salvation Army drive, 8 players to a team</p>
 <p>Saturday November 9th</p> <p>TRIVIA LEAGUE</p> <p>Doors Open at 7:00/Play Begins at 7:30</p> <p>Maximum 8 players per team \$3.00 per person</p>	<p>Saturday, December 14th</p> <p><i>Members Only Christmas Party</i></p>  <p>Doors Open at 7:00 Tickets are \$20.00 per person.</p>
 <p>Saturday, November 16th</p> <p>SPUCK Cancer Benefit Event</p> <p>Doors open at 6:00, Dinner Served at 7:00 Dinner, Music and Dancing Cash Bar \$25.00 per person</p>	<p>Thursday, December 19th</p> <p>THE RIVERBOAT RAMBLERS</p>  <p>Doors Open at 7:00, Music until 10:00 p.m. \$3.00</p>
 <p>Thursday, November 21st</p> <p>THE RIVERBOAT RAMBLERS</p> <p>Doors Open at 7:00, Music until 10:00 p.m. \$3.00</p>	<p>Thursday, December 21st</p> <p>Private Party</p> <p>Lounge open to Club Members after 9:00 pm</p>
 <p>Saturday, November 23rd</p> <p>Spaghetti Dinner <b>BINGO</b></p> <p>Doors Open at 7:00 p.m. Dinner at 7:30 p.m. \$10.00 includes dinner and 2 cards Additional cards are only \$1.00 <b>NO MONETARY PRIZES</b></p>	<p>Wednesday - Saturday, December 25th - 28th</p> <p>CLOSED</p> <p><i>Merry Christmas!</i></p>
 <p>Wednesday, November 27th</p> <p>8th Annual Steel Tip Darts for Toys</p> <p>Doors Open at 6:00</p> <p>Entry fee: \$10 cash &amp; a toy valued at least \$10... OR \$20 cash. 50/50 and Awesome Prize Raffles</p>	<p>Tuesday, December 31st</p> <p><i>NEW YEARS EVE</i></p>  <p>Doors Open: 6:30 "GMT" Toast: 7:00 Pot Luck Supper: 8:00 \$10.00 per person</p>



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# SPUCK CANCER

1st Annual Benefit for the  
Family of Brian Spuck



Saturday, November 16th

Doors open at 6:00  
Dinner Served at 7:00  
Cash Bar

Gift Basket Raffles

50/50 Raffles

Dinner, Music and Dancing!

\$25.00 per person

  
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