



## PROGRAMS & CLASSES ♦ SIGNATURE INTEREST GROUPS Winter 2020

**Cancellation/Payment Policy:** Those who sign up for classes will have two (2) business days following registration to cancel. Thereafter, there will be no credits issued. Class and material fees (if any) will be charged to the member's account after the two-business day grace period. If a class is cancelled by the City Club due to the minimum not being met, or the instructor being unable to teach, enrollees will be notified by the City Club office by telephone or email, and fees will be credited in full to their accounts.

### BRIDGE CLASSES

#### **Supervised Play**

Instructor: Stacey Tessler

Dates: Jan. 7, 21, and 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18, and 25

Tuesdays 9:45—11:30 a.m.

Members: \$97 | Non-Members: \$145

Lesson content will be determined by participant feedback, with a focus on Playing of the Hand and Defense. Each lesson will contain a small lecture and then supervised play with pre-dealt hands and group discussion. This will be a Seven-week class.

#### **Useful Conventions**

Instructor: Ronnie Meade

Dates: Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29

Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Members: \$58 | Non-members: \$83

This four-week class will focus on Jacoby 2NT, Splinter, Bergen Raises, Limit Raises, and Cue Bid Raises.

**LIVE LONG AND BE HAPPY**



**PLAY BRIDGE!**

## CLASSES

### **Exercise for Fitness**

Instr: Ann Hunt Jan. 20 - April 20, 2020  
Time: Mondays, 9 a.m.-10 a.m.  
12 Classes over 14 weeks  
Member Fee: \$30 No class on 2 Mondays TBD  
Non-Member Fee: \$45 Min: 3  
Move to music in a convivial atmosphere to condition your heart and stretch and strengthen your muscles.  
Join this longtime group for an hour of energy!

### **Exercise for Fitness**

Instr: Ann Hunt Jan. 24 - April 24, 2020  
Time: Fridays, 9 a.m. - 10 a.m.  
12 Classes over 14 weeks  
Member Fee: \$30 No Class Mar. 27 & 1 TBD  
Non-Member Fee: \$45 Min:3  
Move to music in a convivial atmosphere to condition your heart and stretch and strengthen your muscles.  
Join this longtime group for an hour of energy!

### **Culinary Class with Chef Nathan**

#### **“All About the Braise”**

Tuesday, Feb 18th  
Time: 4:30 p.m. Min:8  
Member Fee: \$40 Non-Member Fee: \$58  
This long-awaited class will focus on the technique of braising various dishes for a perfect combination of tenderness and flavor.

### **Culinary Class with Chef Nathan**

#### **“Soups: Episode 3”**

Tuesday, March 3rd  
Time: 4:30 p.m. Min:8  
Member Fee: \$40 Non-Member Fee: \$58  
This third instalment of Soups will focus on soups that are a little different or new takes on old ideas.

### **Culinary Class with Chef Nathan**

#### **“The Very Best of Spring”**

Tuesday, April 21st  
Time: 4:30 p.m. Min:8  
Member Fee \$40 Non-Member Fee: \$58  
This class will feature a dish sourced directly from the Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor Farmers Markets.

### **Beginning Knitting/Refresher Lessons**

Instr: Ann Ringia  
February 4, 18; March 3, 10, 31; April 7  
Time: Tuesday, 11 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. 6 sessions  
Member Fee: \$35 Min. 0  
Non-Member Fee: \$45  
Want to learn how to knit and purl? Want to learn to follow pattern directions? Come to Ann Ringia's knitting class.

### **Community Forum Series**

Instr: Elizabeth Nelson, AA City Council Member  
Friday, February 28 Min. 0  
Time: 10 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.  
Member Fee: \$10 Non-Member Fee: \$15  
An explanation of local city government from the perspective of a City Council member. Discussion of how you can stay informed, get involved, and communicate your needs to the city. CM Nelson will talk about the current and ongoing issues facing Ann Arbor and answer your questions.

### **Mah Jongg Lessons**

Instr: Penny O'Malley  
March 4, 11, 18; April 1, 8, 15  
Time: 1 p.m.- 3:00 p.m. 6 sessions  
Member Fee: \$35 Min. 4  
Non-Member Fee: \$45  
Learn to play American Mah Jongg. We will teach you how to play the game and win. Mah Jongg is an exciting game, loads of fun, and many people who play it get addicted to it. This class is the key to ensuring that your learning experience is easy.

### **Pysanky (Ukrainian/Polish egg decorating)**

Instr: Mary K. Smith

Tuesday, March 17                      Min: 5

Time: 9 a.m.- 12:00 p.m.                      Max: 10

Member Fee: \$20      Non-Member Fee: \$25

Have you admired the Ukrainian/Polish wax dyed Easter Eggs? You will take home one or two eggs, depending on how fast you work and how much detail you add.

### **Painting with a Twist/Off-site**

Monday, March 30                      Min: 10

Time: 2 p.m.—4:00 p.m.                      Max: 20

Member Fee: \$42      Non-Member Fee: \$44.50

Painting with a Twist is a fun art studio for anyone interested in painting. In the classes you use acrylic paints on a 16X20 inch canvas. The class is taught step by step on how to complete the featured painting for the session. Most of the guests have no painting experience and they have a great time. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

3143 Oak Valley Drive (several doors down from The Outback Restaurant).

### **Community Forum Series**

Instr: Brian Steglitz – Manager,  
AA City Water Treatment Services

Monday, April 6                      Min: 0

Time: 10 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.

Member Fee: \$10      Non-member Fee: \$15

Background will be provided on the City's drinking water system from source to distribution, and a description of the tools that are used to remove contaminants from our source waters. The talk will focus on water quality challenges that the city is facing including both PFAS and 1,4 dioxane and city's approach to addressing these contaminants. Finally, I will share resources available to city water customers to get information on water quality and describe our public engagement approach.



As a service to our members, we have a list of volunteers who are willing to provide rides to and from City Club events. If you'd like to attend an event but need transportation, please contact Karmen at 662-3279 ext. 1 or [karmen@annarborcityclub.org](mailto:karmen@annarborcityclub.org) connect you with a ride.

## SIGNATURE INTEREST GROUPS

### **Apple Lovers**

Facilitator: Susan Smith

Day: 4th Wednesday of the month

Time: 1:00 p.m... -3:00 p.m.

We have two talented resources in Bill Robb and Bob Gray, who try to answer all of our questions about our Apple devices. We have those who have just purchased one to those who are quite knowledgeable and share their tricks with us, too. If you have questions, please contact Susan Smith at smithsms@umich.edu. Group members meet for lunch at the Club prior to program.

### **Automobile Appreciation Club**

Facilitator: Connie D'Amato

This Club meets informally when we arrange for a guest speaker or organize some automotive-related day trip and/or tour with the intent of fostering interests in the rich history of the automobile, our local automotive business, and the deep history behind this industry. Activities focus on a range of things including the current state-of-the-art automotive technology, auto museum tours, classic auto restoration, and drives to locations of historical relevance supporting our interests. The Club encourages recommendations from its members, with ideas for activities pertaining to this mission. In addition, we actively support the annual Classic Car Show at the City Club in May.

### **Art: Medium of Choice**

Facilitator: Kathy Kelley

Day: Every Friday year round

Time: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

All members interested in creating art are invited to join our informal group of artists and would-be artists. We work in a variety of media and welcome any skill level from novice to professional. There is no instruction but helpful feedback is given upon request. The objective of our group is to provide support, friendship and fun in a low-key, no pressure environment as each of us works on their own project. We stay for lunch after class.

### **Book Discussion Group**

Facilitator: Suzanne Powell

Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, Sept - June (no Dec)

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Members choose books for the group to read and then meet once-a-month for a lively discussion. Everyone's opinion is heard! Following the discussion, group members enjoy lunch at the Club.

### **ACBL Sanctioned Duplicate**

Day: Every Monday, Tuesday & Friday @ 1 p.m.

Fee: \$6 regular games / \$7-8 special games

### **ACBL Sanctioned Duplicate - Novice**

Facilitators: Pat Amort

Day: Every Thursday @ 1 p.m.

Fee: \$5 regular games

For players with less than 500 master points.

### **Social Bridge**

Facilitator: Pat Austin

Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month @ 1:30 p.m.

All members are welcome to come and play.

### **Evening Book Discussion Group**

Facilitator: Karen Valvo

Day: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

Time: 6:00 p.m.

The Evening Book Discussion Group meets on the second Thursday of each month, September through June, at 6 p.m. We gather in the Pub for dinner and a lively discussion about the book of the month.

Reservations for dinner are appreciated, but if you find that you are free on short notice, we would be delighted to have you join us. For additional information, please call Karen Valvo at (734) 649-6047.

### **Game Night**

Facilitator: Marie Laddomada

Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month (Jan - March)

Time: 7 PM / 5:30 PM for dinner

Join us for a night of FUN, playing Poker, Euchre, Dominoes, or any other game that you might think of.

We'll start off the evening with dinner, followed by a couple of hours of the game of your choice.

Again, please join us.

Questions contact Marie @laddm56@gmail.com

### **Genealogy Group**

Facilitator: Barbara Snow

Day: 4th Friday of the month

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Looking for your roots? No matter if you are a beginner or an experienced researcher, join us monthly. New members are always welcome regardless of level of experience. Members share their research and resources, and help each other explore their family trees. As a group, we have lunch in the Main Dining Room following our meetings.

## **Great Decisions Group**

Facilitator: Barb Pomey

Day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month /Jan-May & Sept-Nov

Time: 5:30 p.m. for dinner / 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$35 single/ \$40 couples for program materials

Great Decisions is a discussion program of the Foreign Policy Association. It highlights eight of the most thought-provoking foreign policy challenges facing America today, and provides background information, current data and policy options for each of the eight issues which serve as the focal text for meetings. No prior knowledge is necessary, just an openness to express ideas and opinions. Fee includes a briefing book and video for meetings.

## **History Club**

Facilitator: Bill Thomas

Day: 1st Thursday of the month

Time: 5:30 p.m. for dinner / 7:00p.m.

Anything historically interesting is fair game. Past programs include local history, State history, national and world history, with outside speakers or group-member presenters; with documentary videos, even historically accurate movies. Group participation in program planning is key. Is there a historical subject you're interested in? Join the group and we will explore it with you. For further information, contact Bill Thomas at wotsales@comcast.net.

## **Knitters & Needle Pointers/Yarn & Darn**

Facilitator: Barbara Silvis

Day: Every Tuesday

Time: 10:00 a.m. -11:30 a.m.

Knitters and needlecrafters of any ability are welcome. We gather in the Carrothers Dining Room year-round for camaraderie, spinning yarns and finishing our projects. A special feature of this group is our connection to several local charities that welcome our donations. Drop-ins are welcome. Knitters who would like to donate but are unable to join us are encouraged to contact Barbara Silvis at bksilvis@comcast.net. Please join us and stay for lunch.

## **Let's Learn Spanish!**

Facilitators: Barb Pomey & Sondra Gunn

Day: Every Tuesday

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Member Fee- \$10 Non-Member Fee- \$15

Want to brush up on your Spanish? Join City Club friends Barb Pomey, Sondra Gunn, and others using Duolingo and other study aids and help each other learn and review Spanish through conversation, exercises, and reading. Some knowledge of Spanish is helpful. Participants need to have a smart phone, tablet, or laptop.

## **Mah Jongg**

Facilitator: Connie Cress- Contact: Patricia Huibregtse

Day: Every Tuesday

Time: 1:00 p.m. (12:00 p.m. for lunch at the Club)

You're missing out on the fun if you don't join us for Mah Jongg. We play the American version, which means that we use preset hands printed on a Mah Jongg League card. Please join us in the White Room! You're also invited to join us for lunch at noon prior to game time. If you're interested in playing, please call the front desk or Pat Huibregtse to let them know you'll be joining us!

## **On Our Own Club**

Facilitator: Mary Dolan

Day: A Wednesday of each month: Time: Lunch (TBD)

We meet for lunch at the City Club, usually once per month. The purpose of the group is camaraderie between members who are on their own: single, divorced, widowed, or even those whose "partners" are stay-at-homers. For further information, please contact Mary Dolan at a2doles@gmail.com.

## **Origami+**

Facilitator: Penny O'Malley

Day: 1st Thursday of the month

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Origami+ originated as a group of members who wanted to learn about origami and have an interest in the many types of fabulous papers that are available on the market. We continue to learn new techniques but have expanded into other projects involving papers such as greeting cards, jewelry, and gift boxes, to name a few. Many of the items are sold to members throughout the year as well as at the Clubs Annual Craft Festival with all proceeds going to the Club. Some members just enjoy creating items to share with their friends. Join our group and come to our monthly meetings and we'll get you started.

## **Play Reading Group**

Facilitators: Aileen Schulze and Barbara Kramer

Day 4th Thursday of the month

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

This is your chance to warm up for that Broadway debut you've always dreamed of. We'll choose a play each month to read at home. Members will then discuss the play and read roles aloud (with feeling) during our sessions. Group meets for lunch prior to program.

## **Poetry Club**

Facilitator: Stephanie Kadel-Taras, Ph.D.

Day: 1st Thursday of the month

Time: 5:30 p.m.

The Poetry Club meets for dinner in the Pub. Each month we have a different theme, and members share a poem that sometimes focuses on that theme. Some members write poetry--a very special treat for those of us who don't!

## **Traveler's Club**

Facilitator: Rotating-- Contact: Barbara Kramer

Day: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month

Time: 11:30 a.m. in the Pub/Lunch

Do you like to travel but don't want to travel alone or do the driving? This group is for those who might be interested in getting out of town for a day, a week or even longer. Its mission is to organize trips for members.

## **Watercolors**

Facilitator: Pat Fitzgerald

Day: Every Thursday

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Learn from one another in a supportive, creative atmosphere. Whether you have never painted before, or have and would love to return to watercolor, you will be welcome. Art materials will be suggested.

## **Writing Group**

Facilitator: Jeanette Brock-- Contact: Kathy Kelley

Day: Every Friday

Time: 12:00 p.m. Lunch / 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

"Graduates" of Stephanie Kadel Taras' memoir writing class and other writers gather together to share personal writing they've done during the week. Discussion follows each reading. There is often time to start a new piece, sometimes inspired by another member's writing.