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President's Corner

Members should watch their email boxes for HOH Board of Director ELECTION information.

Please Join Us

The HOH Annual Holiday Luncheon will be: Thursday, December 15, 2022, noon - 4:00pm Ike's Restaurant, 38550 Van Dyke (s. of 17 Mile Rd.), in Sterling Heights, MI 48312. A Family style meal will be served. The cost is \$26 for HOH members and \$30 for non-members.

This is a great celebration and it includes the election of HOH Board Members! Ike's Restaurant requires a minimum of 40 attendees, so Humi needs the total RSVP count and the checks mailed to her by November 28th.

Please make out your checks to "Heart of the Hills Players" with number of attendees and mail them to: Humi Koester (248) 255-1357 4474 Wisteria Ct. Warren, MI 48092 For questions.

In December, HOH will be hosting a murder mystery dinner theatre written by Cece Lesner, one of our new members. We will be looking for actors to help us perform this event so watch our website (https://hohplayers.org/) or Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/heartofthehillspayers) next month for details. Stay tuned for more info in our next Newsletter.

HAPPY OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS!!

- 9 Bill Foxall. 20 Ken Simpson
10 Beverly Rembacki. 21 Lorrie Garrison
14 Sam Jett. 22 Denise Wardrope.
15 Sherry Reseigh. 25 (Rae) Amy Khoury
16 Rob Grodin 25 Tony Merlo
17 Tim Evans.

Sept. 22 HOH Picnic at Raintree Park

Heart of the Hills Players hosted another General Membership Picnic at the Troy's Raintree Park on Thursday, September 22 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. We had a Sing-Along as well as Karaoke, dancing to the Cha Cha Slide, the Cupid Shuffle and good, old rock 'n' roll songs.



Jack Yee was there (we have proof =====>) to take lots of photos to capture these moments including our group photo (above). Thank you, Jack!



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HAPPY NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS!!

- 5 Elaine Baird 21 Gregory McCarthy
6 Rev. Larry Hooks. 23 Therese Wisnewski.
10 Peter Dudley. 24 Dorothy Zima.
10 Dolly Mainardi 28 Dennis Schneidt.
14 Mary Lou Hamrick. 29 Christine Burk.
14 Craig Hull



Richard,  
Joanie,  
Melanie  
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Next,  
Patsy,  
Linda,  
Peggy,  
Joanie,  
Richard,  
Pam,

**Happy Birthday on your BIG 90, Melanie!**

On August 26, 2022, Melanie Lee celebrated her birthday – the BIG 90! Many of her friends and family appeared at the birthday celebration as seen by the photos below.



Darrell & Lorrie (and Nancy with her back to the camera). And three guys: Al, Steve & Roger.

And a word from our Treasurer, Pam



Messano: Fall certainly greeted us with a "Fall" in temperature – but no worries for our picnic at Raintree Park. We all enjoyed singing, dancing, and catching up with each other. For the first time in years we held a **50/50 raffle**. Congrats to our 3rd place winner Melanie Lee, 2nd



place winner Peggy Bogart Graham and our "big" winner - Linda Leffler. Thanks to all who participated. You will have another chance to win at our Holiday luncheon at Ike's in December. Proceeds went to help defray park rental fee (over 85%). Kudos to Humi and Ron Koester for snacks, set up and cleanup; Darrell Ahlberg for **Karaoke** and **Sing-Along**; Jack Yee for photos; Pam Messano for the **50/50 raffle** and all our wonderful **Karaoke** participants - Darrell Ahlberg, Bill Fry, Lorrie Garrison, Humi Koester, Steve Krupa, Leonard Lukomski, Patsy Matyas, Joanie Rizzio and Bea Shia.



Visit <https://hohplayers.org/gallery/> to view more photos!





## 20 Interesting Facts About October

Like every other month of the year, October has plenty to show for itself. Let's take a look at the origins of October, the traditions we celebrate during it, as well as some interesting little facts to bring it all together!

1. The meaning behind October's name is far from accurate these days. The ancient Roman calendar was based on the lunar cycles, as opposed to our current calendar which is based on the solar cycles. This meant that there were originally 10 months in their calendar, and October was the eighth month. Its name literally translated into "the eighth month" in Latin. In 451 BC the two months of Ianuarius and Februarius were added to the beginning of the calendar, making October the 10th month.
2. There are seven months in the year with 31 days and October is the sixth of them. The amount of days hasn't changed over the ages either, with the ancient Roman calendar also placing 31 days in October.
3. The Anglo-Saxons' name for October was Winterfylleth, with its name containing the words for winter and full moon respectively. It was named this because winter was said to begin from the first full moon of the month.
4. The Saxons had a name for October, too. Theirs was Wyn Monath, which translated into "wine month" because it was the time of the year for making wine. I'm not sure about you, but I think October just became my favorite month!
5. October is a rather beautiful time of year if you live in the northern hemisphere. It's the time of year that the color of leaves begins to change into a magnificent array of hues.
6. The Twyford church in Hampshire, UK has a tradition of ringing its bells every year on October 7th. The origin of this tradition goes back to the 18th Century when a local resident called William David became lost in heavy fog while riding home at night. Much to his luck, he heard the church bells toll and from this, he managed to find his way home. As a form of thanks, he left some money to the church when he died so that the church could continue to ring their bells on October 7th every year, just in case there were any other lost travelers.
7. The first full moon after the Harvest Moon quite often falls in October and even has its own name. Known as the Hunter's Moon, it's one of the only two full moons (along with the Harvest Moon) that aren't connected to a specific month. Depending on the year the Hunter's Moon either falls in October or November.
8. The world-famous Indian political and spiritual leader Mahatma Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869. His worldwide renown is attributed to the nonviolent way in which he resisted the colonial British rule of India.
9. If you live in the northern hemisphere, you'll be rewarded for keeping your eyes to the skies in October, as the Draconid Meteor Shower can be seen. It contains a single comet that is visible exclusively in the northern hemisphere between October 6th and 10th.
10. An even more impressive meteor shower that is visible in both hemispheres is the Orionid meteor shower, which runs from October 2nd until early November. It is named after Orion as it is usually visible in the same part of the sky as the constellation. At the peak of the meteor shower, as many as 20 meteors are visible every hour.
11. On October 1, 1949, the People's Republic of China was founded. Mao Zedong ruled the republic from its founding until his death in 1976.



12. The beer-swilling Bavarian festival Oktoberfest takes place every year in Munich, Germany. The festival usually runs for 16 days from mid-September until the Sunday of the first weekend in October. The event has been held since 1810 when Prince Ludwig of Bavaria held a festival to celebrate his marriage with Therese, the princess of Saxony-Hildburghausen.
13. October has just one birthstone, but with this dazzling stone who needs another? October's birthstone is the Opal, which was valued by the Ancient Romans as the most priceless of all. The opal comes in a myriad of striking colors that often seem to swirl together and is a symbol of both faithfulness, purity, and hope.
14. It wouldn't be October without Halloween, which is celebrated on October 31st. The celebration's origins go all the way back to the Gaelic people of modern-day England, Scotland, and Ireland, who celebrated the festival of Samhain. Among other activities, the original celebrants of Samhain would dress in costumes or disguises and go door-to-door receiving gifts of food, much like how today's children dress up and receive treats!
15. Another Halloween tradition, albeit quite modern, is the yearly airing of the Simpsons Halloween special – the Treehouse of Horror episodes. This modern tradition began on October 25, 1990, and has aired every year since. The episodes all follow the theme of horror, in line with the many other activities that are celebrated during the Halloween period.
16. October has two strikingly different birth flowers, the pastel-hued cosmos, and the radiant marigold flowers. The cosmos flower is representative of the joy one finds in peace and love, as well as representing peace. The marigold, otherwise known as the calendula, is said to be a symbol of tranquility, grace, and grief.
17. There is an amazingly varied number of holidays and observances celebrated throughout the world in October. Some of which stand out the most are World Vegetarian day on October 1st, World Animal Day on October 4th, World Food Day on October 16th, and International Animation Day on October 28th.
18. Some of the wackier holidays that are celebrated in the US deserved their own listing, and we're sure you'll agree! October 4th is National Noodle Day, October 16th is National Fossil Day, Sweetest Day is on the 17th, and Boss's Day is celebrated on October 19th.
19. Those born in October can be born under one of two very different star signs. If you're born before October 23rd, then you have the sign of Libra. Those born on October 23rd or later have the sign of Scorpio. Libras are said to value harmony and diplomacy and are said to be both intelligent and kind. Scorpios are quite different, valuing trust and honesty above other things, as well as being quite intense yet imaginative people.
20. If you live in the UK and love McDonald's, then here's one for you. The very first McDonald's restaurant in the UK opened its doors on October 1, 1974. The restaurant is still operational today and is located in Woolwich, in the south of London.

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#### **Ten Signs You're Too Old For Halloween**

1. You get winded from knocking on the door.
2. You have to have someone chew the candy for you.
3. You ask for high fiber candy only.
4. When someone drops a candy bar in your bag, you lose your balance and fall over.
5. People say, "Great Keith Richards mask!" .... only you're not wearing a mask.
6. When the door opens you yell, "Trick or..." and you can't remember the rest.
7. By the end of the night you have a bag full of restraining orders.
8. You have to carefully choose a costume that won't dislodge your hair piece.
9. You're the only Power Ranger in the neighborhood with a walker.
10. You avoid going to houses where your ex-wives live.

#### **Bible Story From Genesis**

"And God promised men that good and obedient wives would be found in all corners of the earth."

Then He made the earth round... and He laughed and laughed and laughed!