

## 2008-2009 VTFWC INTEREST GROUPS

Important: You need to renew your membership each year if you want to be a member of an interest group, as well as the VTFWC. If you do not sign up, you will not be considered a member of the group even though you have been a member in the past. Please take the time to sign-up!!! It's important.....

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### ANTIQUES

Chair: *Gloria Moses* 953-5069 [gbmoses2@comcast.net](mailto:gbmoses2@comcast.net)

Meetings are held on the 1st Tuesday of the month in members' homes. First meeting at Gloria Moses home on Tues. October 7th at 10:00 am. Members will help plan programs for the year. Address: 1735 East Ridge Drive. Phone: 953-5069.

### BIBLE STUDY

Chair: *Beverly H. Kingston* 951-1761 [bhkingston@yahoo.com](mailto:bhkingston@yahoo.com)

Meetings are held on Thursday mornings from 9:30 - 11:30 AM. Meetings to be held at Blacksburg Christian Fellowship in the library. Address: 2300 N. Main Street. Study guide: (to be announced).

### BIRDING

Co-Chairs: *Mary Jane Zody* 951-2556 [mjzody@aol.com](mailto:mjzody@aol.com)

Co-Chairs: *Jo Ann Underwood* 951-1541 [joa@vt.edu](mailto:joa@vt.edu)

Meets 2nd Friday of each month. The first meeting will be Sept. 12th. We will cancel if inclement weather. Place to be determined.

### BOARD GAMES

Chair: *Rhoda Hall* 552-5298 [rhall97@yahoo.com](mailto:rhall97@yahoo.com)

Meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 10:00 am to 12 noon and on the third Monday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Blacksburg Public Library. A variety of games will be played according to the group's interest. First meeting on Sept. 3rd.

### BOOK CLUB

Co-Chairs: *Jill Bowen* 552-6978 [bowen508@verizon.net](mailto:bowen508@verizon.net)

Co-Chairs: *Esther Youngs* 951-4079 [ryoungs@vt.edu](mailto:ryoungs@vt.edu)

Co-Chairs: *Susan Meredith* 961-5919 [suzieque833@verizon.net](mailto:suzieque833@verizon.net)

Meetings will be held on the 4th Tuesday at 2:00 pm. First meeting to be held on September 23rd. Program: book reports by members.

### BRIDGE - LADIES' EVENING

Chair: *Joyce Weber* 552-8790 [cricketweber@hotmail.com](mailto:cricketweber@hotmail.com)

Meets 2nd Wednesdays at 7:30 pm. We welcome NEW members.

### BRIDGE - LADIES' MORNING

Chair: *Ida Comparin* 552-8844 [comparin@vt.edu](mailto:comparin@vt.edu)

Meets 2nd Thursdays at 9:30 am. Group is full but sign up if you'd like to be a substitute.

## **BRIDGE-LADIES AFTERNOON**

Chair: *Judith B. Rutherford* 951-2863 jabrutherford@yahoo.com

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Blacksburg Community Center. "Bridge Biddies" meet at 12:30 for a sack lunch and play at 1:00.

## **CANOEING/WHITEWATER**

Co-Chairs: *Cathy Tyler* 552-4750 c.tyler@earthlink.net

Co-Chairs: *Valerie Dymond* 552-3491 vdymond@vt.edu

The canoe group meets each Wednesday at 9:00 am and spends the day on the river in April, May, September, and October and irregularly during the summer months. We canoe during most weather and last minute cancellations are not looked upon favorably as it complicates logistics for boats, drivers, etc...

Whitewater experience is required. Canoes and equipment are not required as we have enough, however, we share in the cost of gas. In February, the group goes south for a five day trip on the beautiful rivers of FL, GA, and SC.

## **COOKING - 2ND TUESDAY/FORMAL**

Chair: *Joan Richardson* 951-0040 richjj@bev.net

Limit 18 registered members. This group meets in each other's home at noon and serves several courses with appropriate linen, china, and crystal. Each member is expected to host the group in her home on a rotating basis. Members are divided into groups of approximately three to plan, prepare, host and provide the food and recipes for the entire group. At all other meetings you are a guest. You can just eat and enjoy the best-prepared food in town! Meets second Tuesdays. First meeting will be October 9th.

## **COOKING - 3RD TUESDAY/INFORMAL**

Chair: *Rosalyn Lester* 951-1621 rlester@radford.edu

The format is similar to Second Tuesday, but meals are less formal. The group will be limited to 30 women. Please sign up and join us! The first luncheon will be September 16th.

## **COOKING - ITALIAN**

Co-Chairs: *Nancy O'Brien* 552-2844 nanbrks@verizon.net

Co-Chairs: *Cynthia Bertelsen* 552-8655 cbertel@usit.net

Explores the deeper nuances of Italian cooking, way beyond spaghetti and meatballs. We meet on the first Monday of every month from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. The whole group cooks together at each session, and then enjoys the fruits of their labor. First meeting will be October 6th.

## **DINING AROUND**

Co-Chairs: *Leanne Mitchell* 552-0565 sq7ft@comcast.net

Co-Chairs: *Nancy Eiss* 951-4015 nsjeiss@verizon.net

Couples and singles visit local and area restaurants usually on the first Saturday of each month at 6:00 pm. Monthly notices are sent by email. Please sign up to be part of this group!

## **FRIDAY FORUM**

Chair: *Julie Earthman* 951-2051 jgearthman@aol.com

Meets 1st Friday of the month at the Grove for social and intellectual stimulation from a diverse group of speakers.

## **GOURMET - ONE**

Chair: *Patty Bryant* 552-0491 cbryant@vt.edu

Meets monthly on the 2nd Saturday in member's homes. The hostess plans the menu, and preparation and cost are shared. Membership is limited to 9 couples. (This group is not accepting new members at this time). If interested, join the new Gourmet - Two group now forming.

## **GOURMET - TWO**

Chair: *TBA*

Come join a new gourmet group forming this year. Details will be announced later.

## **HIKING**

Chair: *Beth Thomas* 552-5902 btcanoe@comcast.net

Informal hikes are led every Thursday morning during the academic year, enabling participants to enjoy the scenic beauty of this area in the company of friends, old and new. The pace is not rough but the terrain sometimes is. Please meet at 9:00 am to form carpools in the parking lot at the Tennis Pavilion on Tech Center Drive. Usually return by noon. First hike: September 4th.

## **LUNCH AROUND**

Co-chairs: *Linda Frazier* 951-7437 lfrazier@shentel.net

Co-chairs: *Patsy McAlister* 552-1699 mcalisterpatsy@hotmail.com

Meets on the 4th Monday at 11:30 am for lunch in an area restaurant. First meeting will be announced later.

## **NEEDLEWORK**

Chair: *Barbara Blanton* 552-1919

Group meets twice monthly on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, from 9:30 to 11:30 am. Once a month attendance is also welcome. Bring your own needlework. Informal instruction in all kinds of stitchery is available.

## **NEWCOMER'S GROUP**

Chair: *Karen Finch* 552-8179 ckfinch412@aol.com

Come join a new interest group comprised of ladies that are new to Blacksburg in the last three years. First meeting will be announced later.

## **QUILTING**

Chair: *Lauraine Broadwater* 552-3027 sissybva@comcast.net

Meets monthly in members' homes on the 2nd Thursday from 10:00 am to noon. First meeting to be held at Lauraine Broadwater's home on September 11th, 311 Cherokee Drive.

## **NEW INTEREST GROUPS**

If there is anyone interested in establishing a new interest group, please contact Susan Meredith at 961-5919 or Suzieque833@verizon.net