

Le Bon Mot



News letter for the John R Mott Chapter of YMCA Retirees of Iowa and Nebraska

January/February 2025

WE LOVE THESE FACES!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

We have had a good year with several opportunities to be together as a group. Marv and I have met with many of you on a one to one basis to keep you in the loop. It is one of our great pleasures to spend time with you and plan our next adventure.

In the Spring we will partner with the Ozark Chapter and meet in St Charles, Mo. They meet April 4-6 and Drury Inn Hotel will host.

One of our favorite things to do is to visit other YMCAs and hear and see the latest developments. Here we are at the Washington YMCA in Washington, IA. This community has built a beautiful facility and the pool is almost finished.

Left to right:

Mary Carol Fish, Amy Schulty, David



Snow. All 3 have served as Directors of the Washington Y.



Marv and I enjoy our lunches with Mott family. Above: Marv Zimmermann, Bill Keck, Chuck Pletke, & Dodee Pugh. Below: Marv & Barb Sturms



Near or far when we call our friends they are willing to sit and catch up.



Bottom left to right: Judy Thornton, Joe Soczek, Hank & Jo Bagelmann, Scottie Sozcek, & Marv Z

Top: Mary & Connie Z, Mary Carol Fish, Nancy & Jim Weaton

We know that Nick Zimmer is networking with some of our working members encouraging them to join in and grow our membership. We are grateful for that help.

MAKE NEW FRIENDS, KEEP THE OLD.... ONE IS SILVER AND THE OTHER GOLD



Above: Scottie & Joe Soczek. I think this was the moment when Chuck sat on Bill's loaf of special Amish bread!



The meal was delicious. Left to right: Lynne & Jon Springer, Hazel Coates, Janis Berry, Bruce & Karron Wands, Dave & Connie Snow

Our Kalona trip was a great success with lots of smiles and plenty of food.

It was very windy in Kalona that day, but you could not deny the fall colors.



Marv Z

Jack Fish





Left to right: Marv Z., Dave & Marty Rogers, Nancy & Nick Zimmer, John & Kathy Shepherd.

Monthly Celebrations



Happy New Year!

Anniversaries for January None

Birthdays for January:

Shirley Schoffelman 1/27

Anniversaries for February None

Birthdays for February:

Rich Schoffelman 2/23 Dodee Pugh 2/24

Member updates

We extend our condolences to Louie Warren on the death of his wife Trudy. We extend an invitation to call or join us anytime. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Chuck Pletke continues to recover from his bladder cancer. There are more challenges ahead as he continues his treatment. Chuck, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

God Bless you all. We Look forward to seeing you at the Spring meeting!!

Save the dates

The Ozark Chapter is still in the planning stages for their next meeting in April 4-6 in St Charles, MO.

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