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♥ The Couple's Club ♥  
"Love Notes"



February 2019 ~ Volume 1, Issue 6

**Events On the TCC  
Calendar**

*"Get in where you can fit in!!!"*

**February 9, 2019**

*"Oldies But Goodies"*

Sweetheart Dance,  
Triedstone Baptist Church  
Couples Ministry  
Columbus, Ohio

Couples For Christ Outing  
New Direction Church of God in Christ  
Cleveland, Ohio (call for information)

**February 10, 2019**

RESCU

**February 17, 2019**

Valentines Family Bowling Party,  
Maple Hts Lanes

**February 23, 2019**

Game Night & Line Dancing Party

**March 10, 2019**

RESCU

**March 23, 2019**

Dave & Buster's Date Night 7pm

**April 14, 2019**

RESCU

**April 27, 2019**

2<sup>nd</sup> Tyme Around Prom

Holiday Inn, Independence



*The Couples Club Presents....*

# Game Night & Line Dancing

Come and join The Couples Club for an evening of FUN, Line Dancing, and Games!!! We will have a "Couples Game" to celebrate the "Month of LOVE"! We will eat and fellowship, get to know one another better and just enjoy an evening without the kids! The last two hours of our evening we will Line Dance the night away!!! For those who are not into Line Dancing, there will be table games available!...several card games going, Spades, Uno, Checkers, Bid Whist, Dominoes, Chess, Jenga, and many more!

The Couples Club is open to married, engaged, and dating couples!  
This event will include dinner for two, beverage, chips, and even DESSERT...all for **JUST \$20!!!** VIC Members pay just \$15!

**Saturday, February 23, 2019**  
6:30-10pm  
Community of Faith Assembly (COFA)  
5949 Engel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio 44127

*The Couples Club's only Date Night rule is,  
"Leave the kids at home...and bring another couple!"  
Won't you join us?*

Call **216-309-1636** to RESERVE your spot!!!



## Spotlight On A Couple



Meet The Lenczewskis

TCC, this is James and Victoria Lenczewski!

This newlywed couple will celebrate three years of marriage on July 23 and have been together now for four years.

Together, this blended family has a total of 8 children! James brings his two adult daughters and one son to the table, while Vickie brings four sons and one daughter. From this great union, there are a total of 25 grandchildren!!!

The Lenczewskis, who are both now enjoying retirement, are members of City of Life Church, where their pastor is Vickie's son, Apostle Andre Dodson.

In his spare time, James enjoys bowling, music, movies, documentaries, dancing, and puzzles. While his wife, on the other hand, enjoys bowling, singing, music, and watching TV.

Although they are brand new to The Couples Club, James and Vickie are enjoying the fellowship and plan to be in attendance in MANY more events and are even inviting family and friends already!

The next time that you are at an event with The Couples Club, be sure to look for the Lenczewskis, strike up a conversation with them, you will be SO GLAD that you did!!!

Happy  
Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. Earl and Sharon Smith



When my arms can't  
reach people who are  
close to my heart...

I  
always  
hug them  
with my  
prayers.



## Prayer Changes Things



In past issues of Love Notes, this was a common article. "Prayer Changes Things". We just want to remind all couples to pray for one another. Pray for all of the couples on our mailing list. Those that you meet at events and outings, pray for them by name. We don't have to know specifically what is going on in their lives but just know that the enemy seeks to steal, kill, and destroy our relationships so we all need prayer and support. Remember to keep all of the couples associated with The Couple's Club in your prayer list. Pray for their relationships, their families, and that God's will be done in their lives. If you would like your special prayer requests listed in this newsletter, please submit them to [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com) before the 20th of each month.

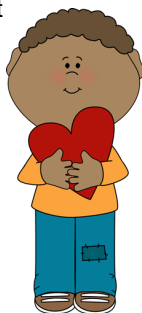
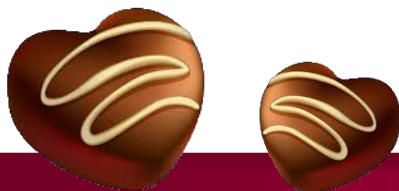
Our club's theme scripture is Galatians 6:2, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of the Lord". We are our brothers and sisters keepers!



## Relationship Tips

Here are a few suggestions on some things that you and your mate can do to "Keep your FIRE burning" in your relationship! Try:

- Make a meal together
- Make breakfast in bed for your mate.
- Mid day, send your mate a text just saying that you are thinking of them.
- Flowers and chocolates are old time favorites that still have charm!
- Ask you mate how was their day....and then LIS-TEN!
- Play "hooky" for one day from work and just spend the day together watching movies.
- And of course, Join The Couples Club for all of our monthly events!!!



## Marriage Mentors

Within The Couples Club, we are aware that many times, many couples will go through problems and have stressful situations within their relationships. We always encourage couples that they should not vent to their single friends regarding their issues within their union. When you are facing struggles with your mate, it may be very beneficial to seek counsel from another couple who has weathered a few storms in their lives. The Couples Club offers Marriage Mentors to assist with other couples who may be involved in a married, engaged, or dating relationship to assist in providing wisdom and support.

Currently, in the Cleveland area, we have two Mentor Couples, Larry and Myra Jemison and founders Marvin Smith and Faith Lloyd-Smith. In the Lorain County area, John and Doris Cannon, serve as Marriage Mentors. Should you desire to connect with a Mentor Couple, feel free to call: 216-309-1636 or email your request to [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com)

## Save the Dates

The Couples Club Presents:  
2nd Tyme Around Prom



Alright Folks, it is that TYME of the year again for the 2nd Tyme Around Prom!!!

This year's event will be held at the Holiday Inn on Rockside Road in Independence, Ohio again this year! If you missed it last year, DON'T miss it this year!

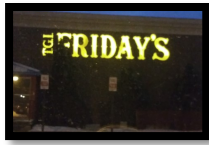
This is an opportunity for those who never attended their High School Prom to make up for that!....then there are those who had SUCH a great tyme at their first Senior Prom, that they just want to do it again!!!!....or maybe you just had the WRONG date for your Senior Prom and you want a chance to fix that...now is YOUR chance! Do NOT miss The Couples Club's 2nd Tyme Around Prom! You will be SOOO GLAD that you attended!

Prom tickets are just \$90 per couple which includes buffet dinner for two, dancing, door prize raffles, and a night of FUN!!!! Don't have the entire amount right now?...Payments will be accepted for your ticket! Call 216-309-1636 TODAY or email us at [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com) to get YOUR ticket!

Not in a relationship?...that's ok! Grab a date and come experience the 2nd Tyme Around Prom!!!!



## January Date Night!!!



### Saturday Night at FRIDAYS!!!

Most Couples Clubbers know that the last Saturday of every month since its inception in 2002, is and has been, DATE NIGHT with The Couples Club!!! That being said, Saturday, January 27, 2019 was Date Night with The Couples Club! Boy, did we have a GREAT time!!!

Date Night Coordinators, Larry and Myra Jemison, along with Club Members Billy and Monica Stark, Mike and Katherine Colvin, Phillip and Tina Jackson (WELCOME BACK, we've MISSED you guys!!!), Marvin Smith and Faith Lloyd-Smith, James Williams and Wanda McCoy, Juan and Marnitta Green, David and Fannie Terrell, and James and Victoria Lenczewski, all left the KIDS, grandkids, work, responsibilities, ISSUES of LIFE, and DRAMA at home!....and met up at TGIFridays on Cascade Crossing, off of Tiedeman Road in Brooklyn Heights, Ohio! What an awesome night it was! Several couples gathering together some for the first time, others for the first time in a long time, and the rest as a "just what we do on the last Saturday of the month"! No matter which category any of us fits into, we all had a phenomenal time eating, drinking, snacking, chit chatting, connecting, and re-connecting with our mates and other couples.

Also, while at Date Night, we were able to make it a double occasion by celebrating Fannie Terrell's birthday! The restaurant staff brought Fannie over a little cake and serenaded her for her birthday!

Most of us followed the Jemison's instructions and joined the TGIFriday's Online Rewards Program, "Give Me More Stripes" and got a bonus appetizer in addition to our meal which was a nice little perk to the evening. Friday's had a special going on at 2 for \$20, 2 for \$22, or 2 for \$24 which included two appetizers, two entrees, and two desserts! It just goes to show that you can hang out with The Couples Club, "Invest" in your relationship, "FOCUS" on your mate, and NOT break the bank! At TCC, we know that most of us need to adhere to modest budgets for various reasons, so we try to keep things very affordable!

If you missed Date Night, this month, no worries, the 4th Saturday in February will be here before you know it! Saturday, February 23, we will meet at CO-FA, 5949 Engel Avenue for an evening of dinner, GAMES, and lots of LINE DANCING for those who like to do so! Come on out and hang with The Couples Club as we "FOCUS" on our mate, "Invest in our Relationship", and "Re-Kindle the Old Flame"!



Triedstone Marriage Enrichment Ministry  
presents

### Oldies, But Goodies Dinner & Dance

Saturday, February 9, 2019 7:00pm  
J.H. Ross Family Life and Community Center  
907 Lexington Ave Columbus, Oh 43201

Only **\$25.00** per Couple  
( or \$15.00 per person)

Come and enjoy some "old school" music  
from the 70's, 80's, and 90's



Come dressed in your  
"Old School" attire!



Staying Overnight? - Special Hotel Rate of only \$89.00!  
(Crown Plaza Columbus North)

For ticket purchase & information, contact the following:

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## VIC Members of The Couples Club

VIC Members of The Couples Club are Very Invested Couples! These couples are "Investing" in their relationship so much that they invest very minimal monthly "dues" to The Couples Club.

Benefits to becoming a VIC Member are:

VIC Members attend RESCU Group Sessions at NO cost!

VIC Members pay discounted rates to ALL TCC events including The Second Tyme Around Prom, the TCC Bi-Annual Retreat, and even fundraisers!

VIC Members receive a COMPLIMENTARY Classic T-Shirt after 3 months of membership and receive discounted rates on all TCC Apparel thereafter!

SOOO, that being said, if YOU are not a VIC member, ask a VIC member or Planning Committee Member the next time you attend an event with The Couples Club "how can I become a Very Invested Couple?" You will be SOOO VERY GLAD that you did!!! INVEST in YOUR relationship! It is worth it!!!





## 3MB Men Mentoring Men and Boys

### Vision

Empowering male youth to become positive productive adults while inspiring men to become effective leaders in the community, to assist in filling the gap of the absentee fathers by providing optimistic male role models.

### Mission Statement

To teach and educate male youth and men to make wise decisions and good choices by providing them with mentors, leaders, training, and support through hands-on learning experiences, spiritual education, group discussion, life skills training, social skills, and recreational activities.



Cleaning out your home?  
Getting rid of old "clutter"?

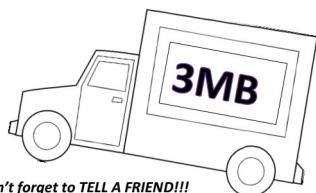
**3MB can *HELP!!!***

3MB will come pick up your bagged clothing, blankets, towels, linens, shoes, purses, books, games, toys, household items, dishes, and even small appliances, all at NO COST TO YOU!!!

Give 3MB a call at **216-309-1636**  
to schedule your pickup!!!



PS: Don't forget to TELL A FRIEND!!!



**3MB Kickback,**  
**Fridays 6:30—9 pm**  
**for Men and Boys of all ages!**  
**Men's Study Group (MSG),**  
**1st & 3rd Thursdays 7 pm**  
**Call or text 216-309-1636**  
**to RSVP for more details.**

**LOVE**



The 3MB MoMu Project is currently accepting applications for new program participants.

**MoMu is Moving On & Moving UP:**

- Residential Project
- Targeting young men ages 18-30 years of age
- Home Renovation Project
- Provides Weekly Independent Living Skills Sessions
- Provides Weekly Faith-Based Study Sessions
- Weekly Recreation Activities
- Weekly 3MB Kickback Facilitation for Youth
- Monthly Men's Night Out
- Community Service Projects 1-4 times monthly
- College Tours and Exposure to Trades and Higher Learning Institutions and Opportunities
- Provides Job Readiness Skills Sessions
- Assists with securing and maintaining Employment
- Annual Wilderness Camping Experience

MoMu Project Participants receive all of the above, bed, meals, cable TV, and FREE WiFi services.

For more information or to schedule an interview, call:

**216-309-1636**



## RESCU — Relationship Enhancement Support Class for YOU

### In-Laws Vs. Outlaws

Relationship Enhancement Support Class for YOU, or RESCU, as it is known as, meets on the 2nd Sunday evening of every month from September through June. In January, our topic was In-Laws Vs. Outlaws. On Sunday, January 13, 2019, 8 couples gathered together in the Fellowship Hall of Simpson Metro-West United Methodist Church for a hot soup, chili, sandwich, and salad dinner! On a cold Ohio Sunday evening, the hot bowls were a great welcome!

During dinner, TCC's RESCU Group watched YouTube clips of television's greatest Outlaw Inlaw, ..."Mother Jefferson"! If you are not familiar with this grey-haired little old lady who adored her son but gave his wife, THE dickens, Google, "the best of Mother Jefferson" for some great laughs!

At RESCU, we bring in speakers who have weathered some storms to share tips of how they have gotten over some tough situations, and then we allow a few minutes for questions, answers, discussion, and dialogue.

January's speakers were Bishop Tony Minor and his lovely wife, Min. Natoya Minor. This couple is embarking on nine years of marriage in a situation in which some would find very challenging to say the least. The Minors opened their presentation, by grabbing two chairs, and just sitting amongst the group with Tony Minor sharing his story first to set the stage. This information was followed by his wife, Natoya sharing in a little more detail, the level of "layers" that has come with their very blended family. You see, if you missed this presentation, you missed a treat. Sharing in this little article would do it absolutely no justice. Many people may feel like dealing with their mate's family is like the Wild Wild West and like dealing with "Outlaws"... How wonderful it is when you can have a relationship with YOUR mate's family respectively...but then you AND your family also develop an amicable relationship with your mate's deceased spouse's family as well! As Natoya said, there were many layers to this story that this article just cannot explain.

If you ever want to learn more, consider dropping by Community of Faith Assembly on a Sunday morning at 10:30AM at 5246 Broadway Avenue....stroll up to the Minors after service, and ask them to share just a "bit" about their amazing story...they do so freely.

Tips that we can share from this session....

Creating good relationships with your in-laws so that they do not become "Outlaws" centers around a few basic principles. The Minors felt that the love of their child and keeping him as a primary focal point assisted them in maintaining positive relationships. Secondly, being respectful, friendly, and showing love were very important. And finally, giving people time to know you and realize that you are not taking away their family member, but you are present to become a new part of the team is also very important. It kind of dates back to the old adage, "You are not losing a son/daughter, you are GAINING a daughter/son." Let's always remember to be open-minded, kind, be patient, and show the love of Christ.



*Relationship Enhancement Support Class for YOU!!!*

RESCU includes Dinner for TWO, complete with Dessert and Beverages, "Battle of the Sexes" Game, Discussion Topic,

**"Come On Baby, Light My Fire!!!",**

Door Prizes, 50/50 Raffle, Applebee's Date Night Gift Card GRAND Door Prize, AND FREE Child Care!!! What else can you ask for?!

All for JUST **\$15 Per Couple!!!**

**Sunday, February 10, 2019**

**6:00PM**

**8519 Clark Avenue  
Cleveland, Ohio 44102**

(Held on the Lower Level of Simpson Metro-West UMC)

50/50 Raffle! Tickets just \$1 or \$5 for 6 tickets!!! Winner takes 1/2 of the pot!!!  
Gifts for First Timers, and additional Door Prize Drawings!!!

Call or Text 216-309-1636 to RSVP especially if you need child care!  
BONUS!!! Bring another couple with you, and get a 2nd Door Prize ticket entered into the drawing for the Grand Prize!!! Bring a couple under 30 years old and get even ANOTHER ticket entered in the Drawing!!!

**February Date Night is Saturday, February 23, 2019!!!  
Game Night and Line Dancing!!!**

With Dinner of course, \$20/per couple \$15 V.I.C., 6:30pm, 5949 Engel Avenue, Cleveland 44127



# RESCU January 2019 Highlights - Photo Gallery



Lenczewskis at RESCU



The Minors, Speakers  
December RESCU



Roger Smith &  
Diondra Henry



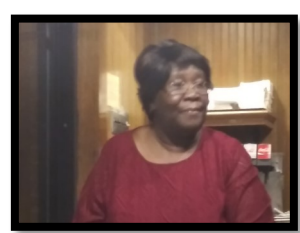
Wanda McCoy &  
James Williams



Bishop Dr. Tony & Natoya  
Minor, RESCU Speaker



Phillip and Tina Jackson  
at Date Night



Fannie Terrell,  
the BIRTHDAY Girl  
at Date Night!



Marvin Smith,  
James Williams



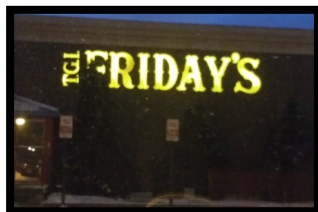
Some of the fellas  
at Date Night



Faith Lloyd-Smith  
with the Jacksons



Victoria and James  
Lenczewski



January Date Night



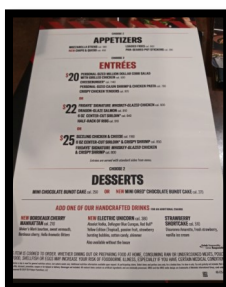
Couples at Fridays



More couples  
at the January Date Night



GREAT turn out at the  
January Date Night at  
Fridays



Fridays Menu



Fellas goofing off!



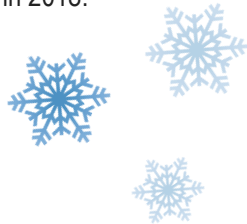


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The bible tells us in the book of James that we "have not because we ask not". Marvelous Faith Ministries as a whole has embraced this concept and has been blessed in many ways by the time, gifts, and talents of so many over this past year and by the following supporters in 2018:

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Ms. Jonetta Spires Scott,  
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## Your Personal Corner

Have something that you would like to share in "Love Notes"? Great!

Email it to [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com) by the 25th of every month and we may publish your information as well!

Ads in Love Notes are also available for a small fee! Email us or call 216-309-1636 for information!



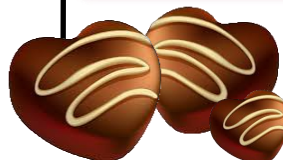
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email [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com)  
for more information!

## Patti's Corner

*Hello Loyal Readers. I don't know you all but I enjoy helping you all by creating this monthly newsletters for you all to read. We might face unpredicted crazy weather ahead of us so please stay warm and be safe. Hope you enjoy learning something.*

1. In Shakespeare's play, Romeo and Juliet, what was Juliet's surname?
2. Including jokers, how many cards are there in a standard deck?
3. Chionophobia is the fear of what?



Answers:  
1. Capulet  
2. 54  
3. Snow





## Relationship Humor

### Zero to 200

A couple had been debating the purchase of a new auto for weeks. He wanted a new truck. She wanted a fast little sports-like car so she could zip through traffic around town. He would probably have settled on any beat up old truck, but everything she seemed to like was way out of their price range.

"Look!" she said. "I want something that goes from 0 to 200 in 4 seconds

or less. And my birthday is coming up. You could surprise me." So, for her birthday, he bought her a brand new bathroom scale.

Services will be at Downing Funeral Home on Monday the 12th. Due to the condition of the body, this will be a closed casket service. Please send your donations to the "Think Before You Say Things To Your Wife Foundation," Dallas, Texas.



### Success in Marriage

A couple had been married for 45 years and had raised a brood of 11 children and were blessed with 22 grandchildren. When asked the secret for staying together all that time, the wife replies, "Many years ago we made a promise to each other: the first one to pack up and leave has to take all the kids."

### Wedding Vows

A grandmother overheard her 5-year-old granddaughter playing "wedding." The wedding vows went like this: "You have the right to remain silent, anything you say may be held against you, you have the right to have an attorney present. You may kiss the bride."

## Flash SALE

### TCC Apparel

Want to represent your organization well? Well know that TCC has its own line of apparel! In the world of Greek Letter Organizations, we would consider these items "TCC Peri" or paraphernalia! But here, we offer TCC Apparel! Get your own TCC Apparel by sending an email with your name and contact information, sizes, and quantity to [marvelousfaith@gmail.com](mailto:marvelousfaith@gmail.com)

#### Classic T-Shirt

TCC Members, \$15  
VIC Members, \$10

#### Retreat T-Shirts

TCC Members, \$15  
VIC Members, \$10

#### Classic Long Sleeve T-Shirt

TCC Members, \$20  
VIC Members, \$15

**Quoted prices are based on sizes S-XL  
Add an additional \$5 for extra X's**

**Personalization available for extra \$5**

#### Sweatshirt

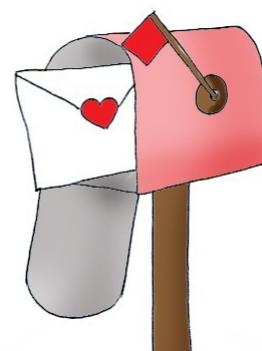
TCC Members, \$20  
VIC Members, \$15

#### TCC Hoodie

TCC Members, \$35  
VIC Members, \$25

#### TCC Hoodie Jacket

TCC Members, \$35  
VIC Members, \$25



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## February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 RESCU 6 pm	11	12	13	14 Valentine Day	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Game Night Date Night 6:30 pm
24	25	26	27	28		

Please call or text **216-309-1636** to RSVP for all Calendar Events and for locations.

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### The Couple's Club.....Mission Statement

As Christian couples, we seek to unite and fellowship on a monthly basis in support of one another. We desire to have good, clean and wholesome fun in the name of Jesus. We seek to witness to unbelievers in a non-threatening, non-judgmental way, leading by example. We are non-denominational. All are welcome regardless of age, race, religion, nationality, color or creed. Our key goal is to nurture our relationships and "Re-Kindle the Flame".

**Our Motto is: Just COME and BRING another couple!**

**Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. (Galations 6:2, KJV)**

