

*January 2026*

# ***MATURE SINGLES PLUS***

***Friendship, Fun, Social Events***

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# **JINGLE**

## **NEWS & UPDATES**

### **January Birthdays**

|            |                    |
|------------|--------------------|
| January 11 | Donna Jostsons     |
| January 20 | Kathi Zwicky       |
| January 22 | Susan Szymczak     |
| January 25 | Patricia Lindstrom |
| January 26 | Beth Voelker       |

### **Membership**

We would like to wish a Very Happy New Year to all of our members! In this quickly changing world we need, more than ever, the friendships, fun, and social events that our club offers.

Mature Singles Plus has been doing that for 41 years and we are so pleased that it continues to do so! Although costs are rapidly rising everywhere we are happy to report that our annual **dues for 2026 will remain the same! And...we will continue to offer US Veterans a 50% reduction in dues.** Currently, we have 63 members.

We are thankful for the many volunteers who continue planning activities as well as for those volunteers who have stepped up and brought fresh ideas for new venues and activities. However, we still need additional volunteers to host our club events. It's easy to do! We can help you through the simple process and can suggest venues if needed. But perhaps you have a favorite place or two that you wish our club would visit. Hosting is your chance to schedule an event at a place and time of your choosing! We are always looking for new activities and venues! Please consider volunteering! Share your ideas with us. You can use the comment section on your renewal form, which is included with this Jingle, or contact any officers of the club to do so.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Susan Szymczak-Membership Chairperson

414-525-1375 or [members4msp@gmail.com](mailto:members4msp@gmail.com) (Please feel free to leave a message.)

We are also attaching and/or enclosing the membership renewal form.

# January 2026

| SUN | MON                                                         | TUE                                                                              | WED                                                                     | THU                                                                                    | FRI                                                                             | SAT |
|-----|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
|     |                                                             |                                                                                  |                                                                         | 1<br>Happy New Year<br><b>Open Flame</b><br>12:00 Social<br>1:00 Seating<br>(Jackie J) | 2                                                                               | 3   |
| 4   | 5                                                           | 6                                                                                | 7<br>Pizza Night<br><b>Organ Piper</b><br><b>Pizza</b><br>5:00<br>(Ken) | 8                                                                                      | 9<br>Luncheon<br><b>Camino</b><br>11:30<br>(Beth)                               | 10  |
| 11  | 12<br>Board Meeting<br><b>Double D's</b><br>11:30<br>(Neil) | 13<br>Drink and Dine<br><b>Champps</b><br><b>Americana</b><br>5-7<br>(Jackie J.) | 14                                                                      | 15                                                                                     | 16<br>Drink and Dine<br><b>New Berlin Ale</b><br><b>House</b><br>5-7<br>(Tammy) | 17  |
| 18  | 19                                                          | 20                                                                               | 21<br>Drink and Dine<br><b>Lychee Garden</b><br>5-7<br>(Neil)           | 22                                                                                     | 23<br>Drink and Dine<br><b>BRAVO</b><br>5-7<br>(Jackie J)(Barb)                 | 24  |
| 25  | 26                                                          | 27<br>Brunch<br><b>Pegasus</b><br>11:00<br>(Mary T)                              | 28                                                                      | 29                                                                                     | 30<br>Drink and Dine<br><b>Double D's</b><br>5-7<br>(Sue)                       | 31  |

### January 2026, Activities Detail

| Date | Day | Activity                                       | Host                                                                                                                                  | Details                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------|-----|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1    | Thu | New Year's Day<br>12:00 Social<br>1:00 Seating | Jackie Jacobs, 414-687-6592 RSVP by <b>Friday, Dec 26th. Noon</b>                                                                     | <b>Open Flame Restaurant</b> , 5081 S. 108 <sup>th</sup> St., Hales Corners, Corner of S. 108 & Edgerton Ave. Limited reservations.<br><a href="http://www.openflamerestaurant.com">www.openflamerestaurant.com</a>      |
| 7    | Wed | Pizza Night<br>5:00                            | Ken Heckel 414-258-1840<br>RSVP by Tuesday noon                                                                                       | <b>Organ Piper Pizza Palace</b> , 4353 S. 108 <sup>th</sup> St., Greenfield<br><a href="http://www.organpiperpizza.com/">http://www.organpiperpizza.com/</a>                                                             |
| 9    | Fri | Luncheon<br>11:30                              | Beth Voelker, 414-218-2902 RSVP by Thursday Noon                                                                                      | <b>Camino</b> , 7211 W. Greenfield Ave., West Allis<br><a href="https://caminomke.com/west-allis/">https://caminomke.com/west-allis/</a>                                                                                 |
| 12   | Mon | Board Meeting<br>11:30                         | Neil Wojtal, 262-309-2594<br>RSVP by Sunday, Noon                                                                                     | <b>Double D's Sports Pub &amp; Eatery</b> , 5171 S. 108 <sup>th</sup> St., Hales Corners <a href="http://doubledspubandeatery.com">doubledspubandeatery.com</a>                                                          |
| 13   | Tue | Drink and Dine<br>5-7                          | Jackie Jacobs, 414-687-6592 RSVP by Monday Noon                                                                                       | <b>Champps Americana Brookfield</b> , 1240 S. Moorland Rd., Brookfield <a href="http://www.champps-wi.com">www.champps-wi.com</a>                                                                                        |
| 16   | Fri | Drink and Dine<br>5-7                          | Tammy Wroblewski, 414-581-2987 RSVP by Thursday noon                                                                                  | <b>New Berlin Ale House</b> , 16000 W. Cleveland Ave., New Berlin. (a few blocks west of Moorland Rd.) Limit 12 people, Separate checks OK.<br><a href="https://newberlinalehouse.com">https://newberlinalehouse.com</a> |
| 21   | Wed | Drink and Dine<br>5-7                          | Neil Wojtal, 262-309-2594<br>RSVP by Tuesday, Noon                                                                                    | <b>Lychee Garden</b> , 7920 W. Layton Ave. Greenfield<br><a href="https://www.facebook.com/Lychee-Garden">https://www.facebook.com/Lychee-Garden</a>                                                                     |
| 23   | Fri | Drink and Dine<br>5-7                          | Jackie Jacobs, 414-687-6592 RSVP by Thursday Noon or Barb Johnson 414-543-6245                                                        | <b>BRAVO! Italian Restaurant</b> , 95 N. Moorland Rd., Brookfield <a href="http://bravoitalian.com/us/wi/brookfield/9-n-moorland-rd">bravoitalian.com/us/wi/brookfield/9-n-moorland-rd</a>                               |
| 27   | Tue | Brunch<br>11:00                                | Mary Thomas, 414-704-7230 RSVP by Monday, noon                                                                                        | <b>Pegasus Restaurant</b> , 7727 W Greenfield Ave, West Allis<br><a href="http://pegasusrestaurantmke.com">pegasusrestaurantmke.com</a>                                                                                  |
| 30   | Fri | Drink and Dine<br>5-7                          | Susan Szymczak 414-525-1375 or email her at <a href="mailto:members4msp@gmail.com">members4msp@gmail.com</a><br>RSVP by Thursday noon | <b>Double D's Sports Pub &amp; Eatery</b> , 5171 S. 108 <sup>th</sup> St., Hales Corners <a href="http://doubledspubandeatery.com">doubledspubandeatery.com</a>                                                          |

#### Courtesy Reminder

We realize it is sometimes necessary to change your plans, but **you are expected notify the host if you are unable to attend an event that you have already called to RSVP. and always bring cash to pay for your meal in case separate checks are not offered.**

#### Get a Gift Card

In our ongoing effort to expand membership in 2026, we will maintain our policy of providing a gift card as an incentive to members who successfully refer new individuals to join our club.

**Mature Singles Plus  
Board of Directors  
Minutes**

November 10, 2025

12:01 PM at Jim and Tammy's home

Roll: Neil, Barb, Jim, Tammy, Susan, Beth

Minutes: There were no minutes in October as we did not have a board meeting. The September minutes were approved. (Tammy/Beth)

Treasurer Report: Account Balances: \$6,855.15; Income: \$17.28; Expenses:\$134.20. Susan needs \$30 for Culver gift cards.

Out and About: Nancy Drolshagen is organizing an out to the Pabst Mansion to view the Christmas decorations on December 4<sup>th</sup>. She needs a minimum of 12 attendees for the \$16 admission or else it will be \$20.00 After the self-guided tour lunch at Miss Katie's Diner. More details in the newsletter.

Newsletter: Beginning with December's Jingle we will include the membership renewal form. Jim will look at Canava to see if he can format the Jingle using new software beginning in January, 2026.

Membership: As of November 8<sup>th</sup>, our membership count is 62. We have 2 new members, Janice Cervenansky and Richard Ekhooff. We will have renewal forms at the Christmas party. We will also have the Published Membership List available.

Christmas Party: Tammy will take care of party favors. George Green will play from 1-3.

Adjournment at 12:54 followed by lunch at Brunch Berry restaurant.

Jim Wroblewski, Secretary



**Marilyn A. Larson**

**September 3, 1941 - November 19, 2025 Past President of Mature Singles Plus**

Marilyn Ann Jaqua Larson (nee Hermann) was Born to Eternal Life on Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at the age of 84. She passed away peacefully with her family at her side. A faithful servant of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Marilyn leaves behind a legacy of love, kindness, laughter, and unwavering devotion to the people she cherished.

She was the loving mother of Lisha (Tim) Voelzke and foster son Wayne; the proud grandmother of Tyler and Chase Voelzke; and the dear auntie of Mark, Sandy, Anne, Mike, John, Paul, Dianna, James, Jennifer, Karen, and Beth. She was an honorary mom and grandma to many and a cherished friend to all who entered her life.

Marilyn lived a blessed and full life. She had a passion for her beautiful Irish Setters and showed them with pride. A true entrepreneur, she owned a dog grooming shop for over 32 years, operated several other small businesses, and raised Ocicats. Her dedicated service to Saint Agnes Church and Channel 10 & 36 reflected her commitment to her faith and her community. She also shared her heart and home by fostering many children over the years. Whatever Marilyn set her mind to, she pursued with heart, energy, and purpose.

She found joy throughout her life with the father of her children, Bob, and then with "the love of her life" Ronnie, Fiancé Frank, and later with Terry, who brought companionship and adventure in her later years.

More than anything, Marilyn poured her heart into her daughter, Lisha, and son-in-law, Tim, giving them unconditional love and support. Her grandsons, Tyler and Chase, filled her life with immeasurable joy, and she was endlessly proud of the young men they have become.

Marilyn loved to travel and treasured her time at her condo in South Padre Island. She delighted in hosting gatherings on her beloved back patio, where laughter, stories, love, and friendship flowed freely. She also truly enjoyed riding on the back of Terry's motorcycle.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Max and Alice Hermann; her brothers, Robert and Ralph Hermann; her beloved sons, Scott and baby Todd, nephew, Phil Hermann; and her husbands, Robert Edwards, Ronald Jaqua, and Terrance Larson.

## **Mature Singles Plus—2026 Membership Renewal**

(Please **print** clearly) **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Birthday** (Optional-complete only if you wish your birthday published in the *Jingle*) \_\_\_\_\_ (Month & Day only)

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail address** \_\_\_\_\_

### **Monthly Jingle Delivery Options:** (Please check one.)

- \_\_\_\_\_ I will receive the monthly ***Jingle* via my e-mail** listed above and will pay the annual dues of **\$20.00.** (\_\_\_ US Veteran rate: \$10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will receive the monthly ***Jingle* via post office mail delivery** at my address listed above and will pay the annual dues of **\$55.00.** (\_\_\_ US Veteran rate: \$27.50)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I would like to receive the monthly ***Jingle* via BOTH post office delivery** at my address listed above & **my e-mail** listed above. I will pay the annual dues of **\$55.00.** (\_\_\_ US Veteran rate: \$27.50)

**Privacy Preference:** (Please check one: \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No )

My contact information may be included on the *General Membership List* that is available to all members.

**Comments, Suggestions, Ideas, etc.** (These will be shared with the officers of the club)

**Disclaimer:** Members hereby accept any and all risks of injury or property damage to the Member, the Member's family members or guests sustained while involved in any event or activity incident to membership in Mature Singles Plus. The Member agrees to release and hold Mature Singles Plus and its respective directors, officers, committees, and members harmless from any and all liability arising out of or connected to a member's participation in any Mature Singles Plus activity or event in accordance with the provisions of Article 3, Purposes of the By-Laws. (By-Laws and Rules can be found on our website.)

**Member's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the entire form and send it along with your check (payable to ***Mature Singles Plus***) by March 1, 2026 to:

**Susan Szymczak**

**9120 W. Highland Park Ave #352**

**Franklin, WI 53132** (Please be sure to include the **Apt-#352**)

Mature Singles Plus  
4735 S. Hunter Lane  
New Berlin, WI 53151-7475



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#### Excerpts from “Super Age”

Who are you, really? Not the résumé version or the story you’ve been repeating for years — but the person you are becoming. Most of us move through life wearing identity labels we picked up long ago. They help us answer the big questions like *Who am I? Where am I going?*, but they also trap us. A label defines what we think we are, and quietly excludes everything we believe we’re not.

We aren’t the same people we were 10 years ago, yet we often cling to identities that no longer fit. Letting go can feel frightening. I’ve been told: *to get in the chair across the room, you need to get out of the chair you are in*. But then what? If I am no longer that person, who am I? It took me years before I stopped thinking of myself primarily as a photographer. The first time I traveled without a camera, I felt oddly exposed. Who am I if not that?

**The truth is, identity shifts rarely happen gracefully.** For me, it was more like prying a toy from a pit bull’s jaw — messy and difficult, but liberating. Every year, I try to be honest with myself: Is this still who I am, or just a continuation of the past? Have you asked yourself those questions lately? If the answer feels unclear, ask for help from people who know and support you, sit with what you learn. This is your one life. Maybe it’s time to move to a new chair.

Onward and upward,

*David Stewart*

#### Deadline

The deadline for articles and events to be listed is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. This is the same date as the board meeting. You may bring your articles or event listing (approved by Barb Johnson) to the board meeting. The Jingle is in production and mailed on or before the third Monday of the month.

#### Change of Address?

If you have moved, call or email Sue Szymczak at 414-525-1375. Her email is: [members4msp@gmail.com](mailto:members4msp@gmail.com). If you did not receive your copy of the Jingle by the last week of the month, call Jim Wroblewski at 414-581-4305 or email him at [jimwrobl@gmail.com](mailto:jimwrobl@gmail.com).

| Board of Directors   |                  |              |                                 |                                 |              |
|----------------------|------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| President            | Neil Wojtal      | 262-309-2594 | Jingle Editors and contributors | Jim Wroblewski & Susan Szymczak | 414-581-4305 |
| Vice President       | Barb Johnson     | 414-543-6245 | Membership                      | Susan Szymczak                  | 414-525-1375 |
| Secretary            | Jim Wroblewski   | 414-581-4305 | Brunch                          | Barb Johnson                    | 414-543-6245 |
| Treasurer            | Tammy Wroblewski | 414-581-2987 | Let’s Go Hiking                 | Beth Voelker                    | 414-218-2902 |
| Past President       | Beth Voelker     | 414-218-2902 | Historian                       | Jim Wroblewski                  | 414-581-4305 |
|                      |                  |              | Sip & Snack                     | Revolving Volunteers            |              |
|                      |                  |              | Pizza Night                     | Ken Heckel                      | 414-258-1840 |
|                      |                  |              | Sunshine                        | Beth Voelker                    | 414-218-2902 |
|                      |                  |              | Christmas Party                 | Beth Voelker                    | 414-218-2902 |
|                      |                  |              | Picnic                          | Jim Wroblewski                  | 414-581-4305 |
| Out & About          | Barb Johnson     | 414-543-6245 | Web Administrator               | Neil Wojtal                     | 262-309-2594 |
| Fish Fries           |                  |              |                                 |                                 |              |
| Revolving Volunteers |                  |              |                                 |                                 |              |