

**VOLUME V-1, JANUARY 2020**

**From the Editor:**

Can you believe we are in the year 2020? Time to step up and follow through on those New Year Resolutions – if you made them that is. And, of course, most people start a new diet to get rid of those pounds packed on the hips through the lips with tasty desserts.

Let's hope that 2020 will be a year of good health and safe travels to meet up with Red Hat sisters everywhere. There are so many opportunities to choose from (see pages 2 and 3).

Don't forget that while you are out and about, take some photos and send them to me for the next newsletter. We are also looking for recipes, games, cartoons, jokes, anything (as long as they are "clean" and not religious or political so we do not offend our sisters)? Send them to me for the Feb issue.

*Judy Litke*  
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**MONTHLY 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Lunch  
in Maryland**

All Red Hatters: New Year's Day is the first Wed in Jan so join us for food, fun and friendship on **Jan 8, 2020** at 12:00 at

Nautilus Diner  
1709 Transportation Drive  
Crofton, MD 21114 (off MD Rt 3  
South).

Feel free to bring a friend. Reservations are NOT required.

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**Quotes from Famous People:**

Behind every great man is a woman rolling her eyes. -- Jim Carry –

Take Care of all your memories, for you cannot relive them. --- Bob Dylan --

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**THANK YOU:** Much thanks to those who contributed to this issue. I look forward to hearing from any of our readers, regardless of where your chapter resides. We are, after all, one big sisterhood. Happy New Year!

**DEADLINE** For February Newsletter  
Articles: **January 27, 2020**

# Upcoming Red Hat Events

## \* For Supporting Members Only

**NOTE:** Send an e-mail to [moonrockB@aol.com](mailto:moonrockB@aol.com) if you need a copy of any announcements on this page.

**Jan 10-12, 2020:** A Red Hat Fabulous Fifties Party, hosted by the Foothills Red Hatters, in Travelers Rest, SC

**Jan 18, 2020:** Red Hat Winter Wonderland Ball, hosted by Red Diva Dolls & Happily Ever After, in Trevoese, PA \*

**Feb 1, 2020:** Go Red Day, hosted by Ambassador Queen Carrie Sturdivant and the Fancy Ladies of Charlotte, in Charlotte, NC \*

**Feb 8-9, 2020:** GLAM 8, "Winter Wonderland", hosted by the Bloomin' Buds, in Bloomington, MN

**Feb 22, 2020:** Red Hat Pajama Party, hosted by the Queen's Council of Central Florida

**Feb 28-Mar 1, 2020:** "Red Hats, Roaring 20s And All That Jazz, Baltimore, MD (information & registration will be available in late July 2019)

**Mar 14, 2020:** Meet & Greet (shopping, eating, entertainment, visiting), Brunswick OH

**Mar 14, 2020:** SAVE THE DATE, "Just Picture This, Brunswick, OH

**Apr 2-5, 2020:** 2020 Las Vegas Red Hat FUNvention, "Blast from the Past, Celebrating the 50s, 60s & 70s", hosted by the Sunflower Sisters, in Las Vegas, NV

**Apr 10-20, 2020:** RHS Birthday Cruise, hosted by RHS, Vancouver, British Columbia to Honolulu, HI

**Apr 18, 2020:** "Flamazing Party, Flamingo Fling that is!", hosted by the Queens of Central Florida, in Orlando, FL

**Apr 25, 2020:** Red Hat Birthday Bash Roaring 20s, hosted by the Minnesota Queens Council, in St. Paul, MN

**May 2-3, 2020:** Red Hatters and Shear Madness!, hosted by the Ravishing Reds, Hudson, WI

**Jul 6-9, 2020:** "Celebrate! Vision 2020", at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI (held every two years) \* **SOLD OUT!** (Wait list is over 75 ladies; registrations no longer being accepted; next event will be in 2022; no, registrations are not yet being accepted for that one.)

**Jun 13, 2020:** Under the Sea, hosted by the Sparkling Ruby Reds and the Crazy Red Hatters of Greenville, SC, in Greenville, SC

**Jul 18, 2020:** 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Fling, hosted by Joy Lucas & The Dazzling Diamonds, Raleigh, MS

**Aug 13-16, 2020:** RHS 2020 International Convention, Flamingo Fling, Palm Desert, CA\*

**Aug 28-30, 2020:** Virginia FUNvention 2020, theme will be "Back to the Future", hosted by the Mad Hatters of Stafford \*

 **Sep 10-13, 2020:** 2020 Florida Sunshine State Extravaganza, hosted by Christine Towers, FQM, in Kissimmee, FL \*

**Sep 11-13, 2020:** Darlin's of the Wild West, hosted by The Elegant Dames, Portland, OR \*

**Sep 11-13, 2020:** Winnipeg FUNvention, hosted by the Red Hat Divalicious chapter, in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

## *Upcoming Red Hat Events (Continued)*

**Sep 18-20, 2020:** Lil Bit Country Lil Bit Rock B Roll, hosted by Julie's Jewels, Erlanger, KY

**NEW** **Sep 25-27, 2020:** Chicagoland Red Hat Queens 2020 FunVention, Burr Ridge, IL\*

**Oct 9-11, 2020:** 2020 Iowa Convention, in Burlington, IA (details not yet available)

**NEW** **Oct 16-18, 2020:** 2020 North Carolina State Red Hat FunVention, hosted by the NC Region 6 Red Hatters of Fayetteville, NC, in Fayetteville, NC \*

**Oct 29-Nov 9, 2020:** 11-night "Trick or Treat" cruise from Baltimore, MD with stops in Labadee, San Juan, St. Kitts, St. Thomas, and Antigua, hosted by the Star Sisters. Contact Queen Joann at joann@purpleology.com for details

**Oct 7, 2020:** Riverside County Citrus Chow Down, hosted by The Floozies with Panache, in Riverside, CA

**NEW** **Nov 6-8, 2020:** SAVE THE DATE for 2020 St. Louis FunVention, no details known yet.

**May 13-16, 2021:** Florida FUNvention, in West Palm Beach, FL

**May 20-23, 2021:** Wisconsin Hatvention, hosted by multi-chapters in Wisconsin

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## **Red Hatters Invited** **Events Open to Anyone**

**May 11-16, 2020:** Red Hat Cruise (open to all who love to cruise the Caribbean), hosted by The Red Hat Sock Monkey Mamas, Charleston SC departure/return

## **B&B Queens Council Quarterly Lunches for 2020**

The B&B Queens Council sponsors a quarterly luncheon once each quarter, whereby Queens, Vice Queens, and Co-Queens can gather to share flyers of upcoming events, discuss problems they might have within their chapter or upcoming plans.

This past year, Beverly, Judy, and Berlyn have discussed opening the quarterly lunches to include Red Hat Society supporting members. This will be your decision for your luncheon.

Door prizes and favors are an option but are not required. If you are hosting a lunch, please remember to keep those costs in mind as you plan the cost of your luncheon. Preordering and prepaying by attendees assure that you are not out any money. Remember tax and tip in your cost. The quarterly lunches are not a fundraiser for a chapter.

The month, day, location and all other details are then set by the host Queen. Please contact Berlyn at 410-956-8485 or bwheeler21037@verizon.net to host a luncheon.

### Quarterly lunch schedules:

First Quarter---January, February, March 2020

Second Quarter---April, May, June 2020

Third Quarter---July, August, September 2020

Fourth Quarter---October, November, December 2020

Beverly and Berlyn  
B&B Queens Council

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### **Words of Wisdom:**

Notice the people who are happy for your happiness, and sad for your sadness. They are the ones who deserve special places in your heart.

(quotegrams.com)

## Happy New Year

Brush away old heartaches.  
Learn from our mistakes.  
Another year is finally over.  
A new dawn awakes.

Let the old year out.  
Welcome the new one in.  
Bury the bad things of the past  
As a new year now begins.

Make your New Year wishes  
As simple as you can.  
Pray for peace and love,  
Not for wealth or fame.

Pray for health and happiness.  
Pray for your fellow man.  
Pray for all the ones you love.  
Pray for those who've lost their way.

As the midnight hour chimes,  
We leave the old and embrace the new.  
I wish the things you wish for yourself,  
And may God's love stay with you.

By John P. Read

<https://www.familyfriendpoems.com/poems/holiday/new-years/>

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I'm not hot or gorgeous. I don't have an amazing figure or a flat stomach. I'm far from being considered a model but I'm me. I eat food, I have curves, I have more fat than I should, I have scars, I have a history. Some people love me, some like me, some hate me. I have done good, I have done bad. I love my PJ's and I go without makeup. I'm random and crazy. I don't pretend to be someone I'm not. I am who I am, you can love me or not. I won't change! And if I love you, I do it with all my heart. I make no apologies for the way I am. Ladies, please SHARE this on your wall if you are proud of who you are!



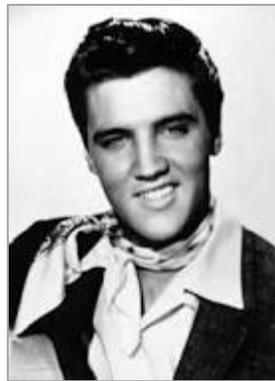
## Bed-Time Snack That Helps You Burn Fat:

### Turkey and Pickle Wraps

Recreate that drowsy feeling you get after a turkey dinner (sans the hours of food prep) with slimming turkey and pickle wraps. Turkey comes packed with protein for fat loss, and it's an especially good source of tryptophan—an amino acid with natural mind-relaxing properties that can help you sleep. The pickles add flavor and make your snack more filling without adding a significant amount of calories—always a bonus when you're trying to lose weight. Simply take 3 to 4 slices of low-sodium, nitrate-free turkey and wrap each slice around a slice of low-sodium dill pickle and enjoy. No cooking required!

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## Remembering Birthdays



Elvis Aaron Presley  
Jan 8, 1935  
Tupelo, MS



Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Jan 15, 1929  
Atlanta, GA

## Life Lessons:

Written by Regina Brett, 90 years old, writer for the Cleveland Plain Dealer, Cleveland, Ohio.

"To celebrate growing older, I once wrote the 45 lessons life taught me. It is the most requested column I've ever written. My odometer rolled over to 90 in August, so here is the column once more:"

1. Life isn't fair, but it's still good.
2. When in doubt, just take the next small step.
3. Life is too short – enjoy it.
4. Your job won't take care of you when you are sick. Your friends and family will.
5. Pay off your credit cards every month.
6. You don't have to win every argument. Stay true to yourself.
7. Cry with someone. It's more healing than crying alone.
8. It's OK to get angry with God. He can take it.
9. Save for retirement starting with your first paycheck.
10. When it comes to chocolate, resistance is futile.
11. Make peace with your past so it won't screw up the present.
12. It's OK to let your children see you cry.
13. Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
14. If a relationship has to be a secret, you shouldn't be in it.
15. Everything can change in the blink of an eye, but don't worry, God never blinks.
16. Take a deep breath. It calms the mind.
17. Get rid of anything that isn't useful. Clutter weighs you down in many ways.
18. Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
19. It's never too late to be happy. But it's all up to you and no one else.
20. When it comes to going after what you love in life, don't take no for an answer.
21. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, wear the fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
22. Over prepare, then go with the flow.
23. Be eccentric now. Don't wait for old age to wear purple.
24. The most important sex organ is the brain.
25. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
26. Frame every so-called disaster with these words: 'In five years, will this matter?'
27. Always choose life.
28. Forgive
29. What other people think of you is none of your business.
30. Time heals almost everything. Give time time.
31. However good or bad a situation is, it will change.
32. Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
33. Believe in miracles.
34. God loves you because of who God is, not because of anything you did or didn't do.
35. Don't audit life. Show up and make the most of it now.
36. Growing old beats the alternative of dying young.
37. Your children get only one childhood.
38. All that truly matters in the end is that you loved.
39. Get outside every day. Miracles are waiting everywhere.
40. If we all threw our problems in a pile and saw everyone else's, we'd grab ours back.
41. Envy is a waste of time. Accept what you already have, not what you need
42. The best is yet to come...
43. No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
44. Yield.
45. Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift."

# PHOTO OPS

## Ramblin' Rosies' Christmas Party, Dec 10, 2019

-- submitted by Kim Knapp --

Twenty Ramblin' Rosies attended their Christmas party at chapter member Kim Knapp's lovely home. There was TONS of great food and desserts. We had a lovely gift exchange and everyone received a little gift. We had 17 baskets of mixed items (jewelry, hats, scarves, purses, etc.) that were bid on in a Chinese auction, Member Betty walked out with about eight of them! We played a few games one of which had Kim dressed as a decorated Christmas tree and then the ladies had to answer questions about what was on the tree. Needless to say, the game went over well, though not many could remember what was on the tree outfit. At the end we celebrated our queen's 75th birthday. It was a great evening, enjoyed by all. The Ramblin' Rosies sisters wish everyone a happy new year!



## MORE PHOTO OPS



Ramblin' Rosies Kim  
Knapp's Train Garden

-- submitted by  
Debbie Miller --

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Red Hot Chocolate chapter at The  
Kennedy Center in Washington, DC.  
Pictured are Linda, Sandra, Brenda,  
and Trudy.

-- submitted by Brenda Johnson --

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## Scarlett Hatters Christmas Party

-- submitted by Bev Kott --



Jr. Vice Queen  
Vicky Mitchell



Dessert Table has some yummy treats on it!



Those who attended were Pat Kozlowski, Tina Schraff, Karen Contee, Diane Guest, Queen Bev Kott, Dottie Bishoff, Jr. Vice Queen Vicky Mitchell, Millie Miller, Barbara Ledford, Nancy Wasmus, Dee Kozlowski, Mary Carol Bruff, Rosemarie Vacarro, Pam Quinn, Karen Gray and Lorraine Znamerowski.



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## Ruby Angels Christmas Party

-- submitted by Patricia Ragland --



Queen Patricia Ragland



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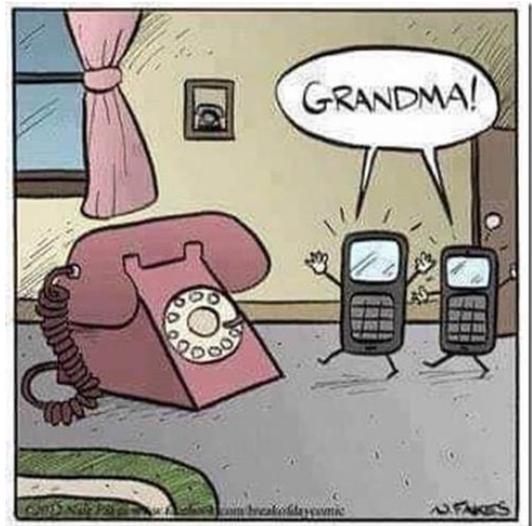
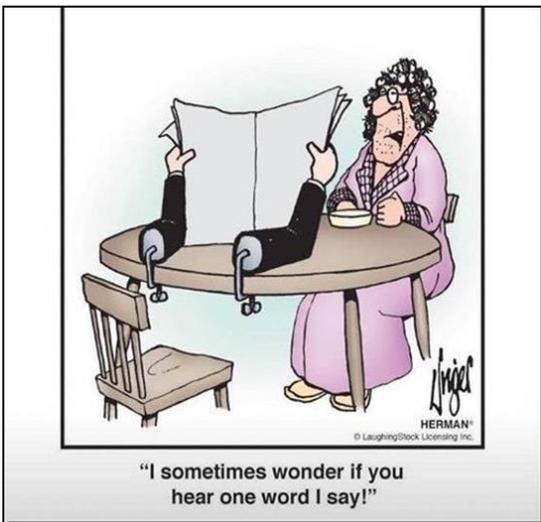
## The Purple Passion Chapter Holiday Celebration

-- submitted by Marilyn Johnson --



The Purple Passion Chapter held their Holiday Celebration at Sunset Restaurant in Glen Burnie, MD. Members pictured back row: Jackie Tweedy, Pamela Johnson, Rita Johnson, Vivian Caldwell, Wanda Shannon and front row: Francine Boyd, Terri Shannon, Ellen Johnson, Marilyn Johnson (Queen) and Serena Harris (Vice Queen).

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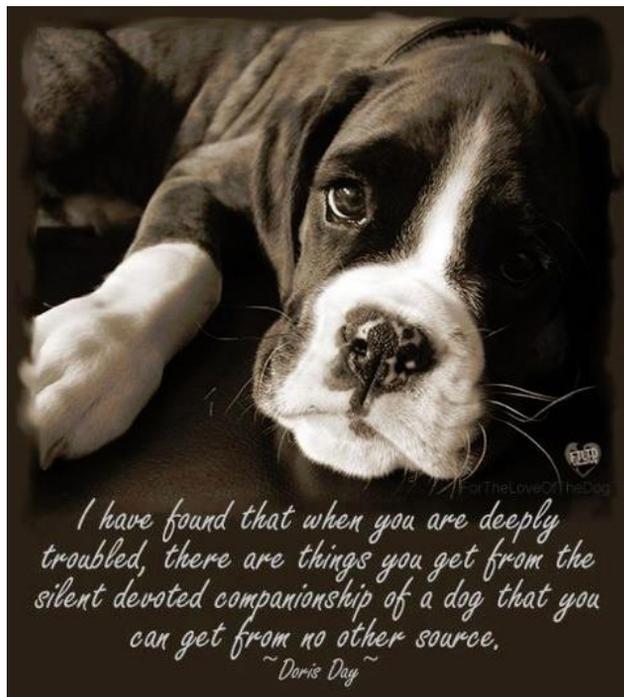
# Just for Fun

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-- submitted by  
Kate Eustice --

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-- submitted by Yvonne Danel --

## Quiz for Seniors:

1. Mardi is the French name for which day?
2. What is a shepherd's purse?
3. What is South America's highest mountain range?
4. What ancient measurement is supposedly the distance from the elbow to the tip of the index finger?
5. What are Buff Orpington and Rhode Island Red?
6. *Tarzan* actor Johnny Weissmuller was a medalist in what Olympic event?
7. How many carats are there in pure gold?
8. The art of clipping hedges into various shapes has what name?
9. The city of Philadelphia is in which US state?
10. Rockhopper and emperor are types of which bird?
11. Of what is meteorology the scientific study?
12. Singer Elvis Presley was born on Jan 8 in which year?
13. On which part of the body is a tracheotomy performed?
14. Samedi is the French name for which day?
15. Austin is the capital of which US state?

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## 1960 Hits Renamed:

**Bobby Darin –**

**Splish, Splash, I Was Havin' A Flash**



- Answers to Quiz for Seniors:**
1. Tuesday; 2. a plant; 3. Andes; 4. Cubit;
  5. Chickens; 6. Swimming; 7. 24; 8. Topiary;
  9. Philadelphia; 10. Penguins; 11. weather;
  12. 1935; 13. Throat; 14. Saturday; 15. Texas

# More Just for Fun

## Names of Candy:

Can you name these candy bars or candies?

1. A dairy product & a dummy shell
2. An infant girl's name
3. Sir and a proper saloon
4. They travel in a trio
5. Name of a planet
6. A young feline
7. Tall tales
8. To walk thru a brittle obstacle
9. A galaxy of stars
10. Suppressed laughs
11. An elevation of earth
12. Name of a Pennsylvania City
13. Name of a street in New York City
14. Nutty happiness
15. A Shakespearean writing
16. Name of a country western singer
17. A sweet father
18. A small portion of nectar
19. A plump person
20. Unable to hold on to things
21. What every worker looks forward to
22. A word in a commercial for cereal

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## New Year Resolutions:

1. My New Year's resolution is to help all my friends gain ten pounds so I look skinnier.
2. My resolution was to read more so I put the subtitles on my TV.
3. I was going to quit all my bad habits for the new year, but then I remembered that nobody likes a quitter.
4. A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other.

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**V.I.P.:** On New Year's Eve, Marilyn stood up in the local pub and said that it was time to get ready. At the stroke of midnight, she wanted every husband to be standing next to the one person who made his life worth living. Well, it was kind of embarrassing. As the clock struck, the bartender was almost crushed to death.

## Husbands... You Gotta Luv 'Em:

A woman, cranky because her husband was late coming home again, decided to leave a note, saying, "I've had enough and have left you...don't bother coming after me." Then she hid under the bed to see his reaction.

After a short while the husband came home and she could hear him in the kitchen before he comes into the bedroom. She could see him walk towards the dresser and pick up the note.

After a few minutes he wrote something on it before picking up the phone and calling someone... "She's finally gone...yeah I know, about bloody time, I'm coming to see you, put on that sexy French nightie. I love you...can't wait to see you...we'll do all the naughty things you like."

He hung up, grabbed his keys and left. She heard the car drive off as she came out from under the bed. Seething with rage and with tears in her eyes she grabbed the note to see what he wrote..."I can see your feet. We're outta bread: be back in five minutes.

-- submitted by Kate Eustice --

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**Answers to Names of Candy:**  
1. Milk Duds; 2. Baby Ruth; 3. Mr. Goodbar; 4. 3 Musketeers; 5. Mars; 6. Kit Kat; 7. Whoppers; 8. Crunch Bar; 9. Milky Way; 10. Snickers; 11. Mounds; 12. Hershey (or York); 13. 5th Avenue; 14. Almond Joy; 15. O'Henry; 16. Clark [Roy Clark]; 17. Sugar Daddy; 18. Bit o'Honey; 19. Chunky; 20. Butterfingers; 21. Payday; 22. Crackle