

TCNC Valentine's Day-Themed February Monthly Dinner

This event takes a bit of planning only because instead of having a guest speaker for the evening, we plan fun games or activities for the evening. If you are having trouble thinking of fun things to do, "Google" Valentine Activities, Valentine Games, Valentine Party Ideas, etc. Depending on the activities you've chosen, you might need to plan for only a couple of activities for the evening, or if you're playing more of an audience participation-type game, maybe that one activity would be sufficient for the evening.

The Club will reimburse you for out-of-pocket expenses for decorations, game supplies and prizes, etc., but before you purchase anything, please let the Board of Directors know what you anticipate spending as they will need to preapprove the dollar amount. It seems that expenditures for decorations, game supplies, game prizes, etc. usually run \$50-\$60. Remember to retain all sales receipts so you can submit them to the treasurer for reimbursement. Also, for future reference, write a brief description of any games or activities played, and submit that to the Activities Chair to put in the Activities binder.

The following are some ideas from previous years:

- Identify the "better" half of each famous couple listed (a list of 20 couples). [Each attendee received a print-out and a pencil. Activities Chair should have pencils from past year's event.]
- Name that candy by an adjoining clue (18 candies to be identified). [Each attendee received a print-out and a pencil.]
- Guess how many M&Ms are in a glass container (winner keeps M&M-filled container). [This is usually displayed on a table at the beginning of the evening through dinner. You should have one sheet of paper and a pencil by the container so people can list their name and their estimated M&M count.]
- Oldie Wed Game (played like the TV version of the Newlywed Game)
- Valentine-themed crossword puzzles and bingo games. [Each attendee received a print-out and a pencil.]

A good place to shop for decorations is the Dollar Store (shop early) for balloons, etc. As far as prizes, have fun looking. They can be funny prizes, mouth-watering prizes (chocolate?), or perhaps a gift certificate (movie theater, Baskin-Robbins, etc.). Be creative.