



CONVERSATION-STARTERS

SUMMER TRADITIONS

FIRST, NEXT MEETING

Take some time at the outset to get your next meeting on your calendars—

Date:

Time:

Place:

NOW, CONVERSATION

The questions below are just a tool to help you get beyond small talk. Don't feel like you have to work through them all systematically.

1. When you were a child, how did you spend your summers? Were your summer activities different from other seasons'?
2. Talk about some of the traditions your family has for summer holidays in America— Memorial Day, Fathers Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day.
3. What are some ways your traditions have changed over the years? Did you make those changes intentionally, or did you feel “forced” to change?
4. When someone new joins your family, how do they learn about your traditions? How do you feel about sharing your traditions with new people?
5. What are some Lansing summer traditions you've learned about? What summer traditions do you wish Lansing would begin?