



Our December 10 luncheon will be a holiday celebration featuring entertainment by Elvis tribute artist Peter Alden. The event's Blue Christmas theme is designed to evoke memories of some of Elvis' most popular movies and music. As always at Timacuan, we will be treated to an elegant luncheon in a gorgeous country club setting. Be sure to mark your calendar for this wonderful seasonal event--our only monthly luncheon scheduled for the second Thursday of the month. Feel free to wear your holiday finery--including seasonal sweaters and other festive clothing, accessories and jewelry. We'll have lots of good cheer and a gift basket auction-- so be sure to make your reservations now and invite your friends to join us for what promises to be a fun-filled holiday gathering.

PROCEDURES FOR LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

Call for reservations between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. according to the first initial of your last name. To leave a message, spell your last name and say your phone number. Please be sure to indicate your choice of entrée unless it is a buffet luncheon. You will receive a phone confirmation. You must be confirmed. Email reservations are not valid.

PLEASE, NO CALLS AFTER 5 P.M.

A to K Paula Ritchie 407-222-5205

L to Z Marlene Radloff 407-920-3084

You may pay by CASH or CHECK made out in advance to Newcomers of Central Florida, Inc. Pick up your name tag at the welcome table. Please prearrange payment for guests.

**RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 P.M. ON
December 3, 2020, THE THURSDAY BEFORE THE
LUNCHEON.**

**ANYONE WHO CANCELS AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL
REIMBURSE THE CLUB. NO WALK-INS ALLOWED.**

Special Needs at Luncheons

For those who have difficulty walking into or out of our luncheon venues, or need help carrying your food plates at a buffet, please tell our Reservations team when you make your reservation. They will contact our Helping Hands team to assist you. Please **do not** call the venue.



LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

December 10, 2020

Timacuan Country Club

550 Timacuan Blvd., Lake Mary, FL 32746

Holiday Celebration with Peter Alden

Gift Basket Auction

Gather at 11:30 a.m. Lunch at Noon

Please be assured that COVID-19 safety protocols including proper distancing at tables and server precautions will be in place at the luncheon.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY MENU

ENTREES (select one)

Roast Pork Loin with Cider Sauce

Grilled Tenderloin Medallions in a Bordelaise Sauce

Vegetarian Lasagna

SALAD AND SIDES

Seasonal Mixed Greens with Ranch or Balsamic Vinaigrette

Roasted Beet & Cranberry Salad

Garlic Mashed Potatoes

Bakery Fresh Rolls and Butter

DESSERT

A Surprise Holiday Dessert

BEVERAGES

Regular and Decaf Coffee

Iced and Hot Tea

LUNCHEON COST: \$25

Directions to Timacuan Country Club:

550 Timacuan Blvd, Lake Mary, FL

*Note: You **must** enter from Rinehart Rd. Your GPS may try to take you to the back entrance which is for residents only.*

- From I-4: Take exit 101A – HE Thomas Parkway. Turn left onto Rinehart Rd. Turn right onto Timacuan Blvd. The Country Club will be on your right.
- From FL-417: Take exit 54 – Rinehart Rd. Turn left onto Rinehart Rd. Turn left onto Timacuan Blvd. The Country Club will be on your right.

Timacuan will provide a golf cart to assist individuals with difficulty walking from the parking lot if needed.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Ladies,
First, I hope all of you have a happy Thanksgiving while celebrating within our new "normal."

Now that it's December 2020, there are many dates to commemorate. Our holidays will be different for 2020, so we need to close out this year with all the positivity and love intended for this special time.

One of the first important days on the calendar is a time of reflection, December 7, Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Our country has rebounded, and we are still free. Thank a Veteran for our freedom. Hanukkah, a time for rededication, runs December 11-18; Christmas Eve and Christmas honor the anniversary of the birth of Jesus on December 24-25; and Kwanzaa, observed by many African-Americans as a celebration of cultural heritage and traditional values, runs December 26-January 1, 2021. Closing out the year on December 31 is New Year's Eve, where we finally bid farewell to the challenging days of 2020 and welcome the promise of 2021.

My final president's message of 2020 invites each of you to observe the holidays that mean the most to you and your family. I am looking forward to a 2021 with more great opportunities for Newcomers to celebrate together.

Goodbye 2020, and let's welcome in 2021 safely, with hope for a better year filled with good health and happiness.

Betty Little

Gift Basket Auction

at the
December Luncheon

Sponsored by **WAYS & MEANS**



WAYS & MEANS

Co-Chairs: Linda Gallagher
Ronnie Telzer



Our popular gift basket auction is back for December--just in time for holiday gift-giving! Come to the December luncheon, check out the unique creations on display, and place your silent auction bids on the sheet in front of any basket you'd like to win.

If you've been cleaning and organizing your house during the pandemic, you may have found a variety of new items that can be used to create a basket. Basket themes include movie night, party time, outdoor fun, holiday joy, mah jongg mavens, toys and games, wine lovers, cooking connoisseurs, dog or cat treats, etc. All proceeds will benefit Newcomers Ways & Means which helps fund club activities.

This year, please make sure your baskets don't contain perishable items in case the December luncheon is cancelled, and the basket auction is moved to 2021. Feel free to create a basket with a group of ladies or friends from an interest group so you can share the expense. If you need a free basket or a tin to get started, contact Ronnie Telzer or Tina Parrish.

Please obtain a donation form by email from Linda or Ronnie, give your basket a catchy title, and include the names of all contributors to your basket, a list of the contents, and the approximate total value. Bring your finished basket and completed donor form to the December 10 luncheon at Timacuan Country Club--or ask us to store and deliver your finished basket for you if you are unable to attend the luncheon. If you plan to bid on a basket, be sure to bring cash or a check to pay for your auction wins during the luncheon. Thanks.

REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH



Outreach Chairs: Dru Juhl & Barbara Kalicki

We read in Sunday's paper that charities are struggling to offer holiday meals this year. We see on TV the need for everyday meals and receive many requests for help in the mail. So many people are suffering from the pandemic due to job loss and can't pay their bills or put food on the table. Even the businesses that previously donated are not able to give what they could in other years due to their own losses.

With your generosity, we as a group can help those who have run into hard times by bringing non-perishable food items to our December luncheon. Your donations will be given to a local organization that distributes food to help those in need.

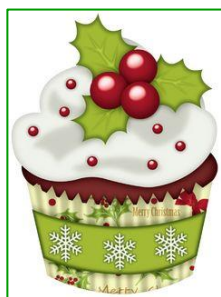
No matter how much we have, or don't have, there is always room to help others! Thank you so much in advance, and let's see some of that holiday spirit!

P.S. Don't forget to bring those pop tops you have been saving for the Ronald McDonald House to the luncheon.



December Birthdays

- 3 Virginia Gallaway
- 7 Marlene Radloff
- 10 Margie Rick
- 12 Dee Johnson
- 14 Joyce Sharpe
- 16 Valerie Bush
- 24 Linda Gallagher
- 25 Chris Breeze
- 28 Rae Vigilante



INSIDE THE ARTS

Co-Chairs: Linda Hargreaves 407-227-3828
Helen Hoppmann 772-521-5877



Coffee and Chat

When: Wednesday, December 2

Time: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Where: Outside at Central Winds Park, Pavilion A



A representative from Lukas Nursery will be giving a talk about plants for small spaces. There are 7 picnic

tables, or you can bring your own chair. Everyone is requested to wear a mask. For more information, see November's *Chatter*.

Save the Date: Wednesday, January 13, 2021, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Congo River Golf 12193 East Colonial Dr., Orlando
Cost \$10 + tax Sign-up deadline is January 4, 2021

Join your friends for a fun morning of miniature golf. We can safely socialize outdoors and feel safe from the virus. Please bring a mask. Text or email to Linda or Helen to reserve your spot. They will send you a response.

NOTE: The back nine has stairs to climb! If you choose, play the front nine twice with different holes to score.

HOOKED ON BOOKS



Book Club discussed the historical fiction book *The German Girl* by Armando Lucas Correa at their November Zoom meeting. For most of us this was the first we learned of the fate of the ocean liner, The St. Louis, which took its passengers from Germany to Cuba.

We have decided to meet in person for our December gathering when *The Midwife's Confession* by Diane Chamberlain will be discussed. Karyll Shaw has graciously invited us to meet outside on her patio. In order to maintain proper social distancing, our participants will be limited to 10 members. This meeting will be on Tuesday, December 8, at 1:30. Please RSVP with Karyll at kshawncfl@gmail.com by Thursday, December 3. Karyll's address is 9445 Brownwood Ct., Oviedo, FL 32765.

MEMBERSHIP



Chair: Brenda Jones 407-366-7751

Current Membership: 124

Please make these changes in your newest directory.

New Address:

Priscilla (Sim) Horst: 317 8th Ave. NE
Conover, NC 28613
Delete home phone number

Linda Smith: 93 Seis Lagos Trail
Lucas, TX 75098
Delete home phone number

COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611



Cooking Club met via Zoom in November, thanks to Karyll Shaw and Carol Smith. Michele Marino's theme of "Let's Go Fishing" led to an enjoyable discussion focusing on the seafood and fish recipes that were submitted. Our theme hostess, Michele Marino, shared her Cod Puttanesca recipe. Please contact Cooking Club coordinator Vicki Nidzgorski if you would like this yummy recipe. In addition, we are collecting foodie type gift cards for a "Gift Card Christmas Tree" to be auctioned off at the Newcomers "Welcome Back" luncheon on December 10 at Timacuan. Members, please get your gift cards to Vicki Nidzgorski by December 3.

For December, we are gathering for outdoor dining at Marlowe's Tavern in Oviedo. The luncheon is limited to those who have participated in Cooking Club anytime this past year. For fun, members please wear an "Ugly Holiday Sweater/Top." We will meet on December 17 at 11:30 a.m. Please RSVP to Vicki Nidzgorski by December 10.

Ladies, I Need Your Help!



Since many of us are not gathering together at luncheons or our special interest groups, I am not always aware of members who are ill, had surgery, lost a loved one or just need to know that we care. Please contact me if you know of a member who

may need a card. These are tough times, and we all can use some encouragement occasionally. I so appreciate your help! You can email me at vanum77@aol.com or call/text me at 813-395-3611.

Corresponding Secretary – Vicki Nidzgorski



MONDAYS

MAH JONGG

Marge Ahearn 407-834-5625

When: Mondays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Tremont in Oviedo

Bring lunch, beverage and \$5 in change.
See you there!

CHATTER ARTICLES

Please email *Chatter* articles to Carol Smith by the 16th of the month. Send articles to smith4cr@gmail.com

TUESDAYS

HOOKED ON BOOKS

Joan Bové 407-971-3911

nurseynurs@icloud.com

When: Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 1:30 p.m.

Where: Karyll Shaw's patio
9445 Brownwood Ct.
Oviedo, FL 32765

Please RSVP to Karyll Shaw by Tuesday, December 3 at kshawncfl@gmail.com

DEC *The Midwife's Confession*
by Diane Chamberlain

JAN *A Land Remembered*
by Patrick Smith

FEB *In An Instant*
by Suzanne Redfearn

CHICK FLICKS

Margie Rick 732-763-5277

mricks1953@gmail.com

Chick Flicks is currently on hold.

NEWCOMERS of Central Florida, Inc.

There are no strangers,
just friends we haven't met!

P.O. Box 620384, Oviedo, FL 32765-0384



WEDNESDAYS

LADIES BRIDGE - 1st Wednesday

Sue Horn

When: 1st Wednesday of the month
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Where: Tremont in Oviedo

Call Sue Horn for reservations at
Home: 321-424-5973
Cell: 303-807-4088

LADIES BRIDGE - 4th Wednesday

Pat McRee 407-359-1228

patmcree@bellsouth.net

When: 4th Wednesday of the month
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Where: Tremont in Oviedo

Make your reservation with Pat McRee.

THURSDAYS

BOARD MEETING

Betty Little 407-719-3066

brlittle7@gmail.com

When: 1st Thursday of the month
10 a.m. - Noon

Where: Betty Little's house
5433 Rocking Horse Rd.
Orlando, FL 32817

Please RSVP to Betty Little.

COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611

When: 3rd Thursday - December 17
11:30 a.m.

Where: Marlowe's Tavern
352 Mike Roberto Way
Oviedo, FL 32765

Theme: Ugly Sweater/Top

Limit: 12 participants who have
participated in the past year

Please RSVP to Vicki Nidzgorski by
December 10.

**Please be aware that
some Newcomers
activities are currently
cancelled due to the
COVID-19 concerns.**

**Contact the group
leader for more
information.**

FRIDAYS

BUNKO - Dickey Bunkettes

Lona Love sunsh132@bellsouth.net

We hope to be able to meet again soon.

When: 2nd Friday of the month
10:30 a.m.

Where: Contact Lona Love for location.

SATURDAYS

COUPLES BUNKO

Gail Boudreaux 407-678-3341

flcajun2@cfl.rr.com

When: 3rd Saturday at 6 p.m.

Where: Hosted by participants

Contact Gail Boudreaux for more
information.

Each couple brings an appetizer to
share and BYOB. The host couple
provides soft drinks and dessert.

