

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





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# Holiday Craft and Gift Boutique

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# **Basket Auction**

Come support Ways & Means

fundraising by attending our November 17 Holiday Gift and Craft Boutique and Basket Auction. At this luncheon, you'll be able to purchase a variety of goods ranging from home-made bakery items to hand-made crafts and cards. Plus, you can bid on a variety of beautiful, themed baskets (donated by individuals and Newcomers' special interest groups) or purchase new gift and holiday items at our flat-rate sales tables. Your merchandise donations are greatly appreciated-just make sure everything you bring in is new (not used). Items can be holiday-themed--or anything that would make a good gift (like fragrance sets or decorative accessories). Also remember to bring cash (exact change preferred) or checks to pay for your purchases. Donated items should be brought in on the day of the luncheon (unless you are unable to attend that day). Wear comfortable shoes, bring a tote bag, and plan to have some fun shopping with Newcomers for seasonal treasures for yourself, your friends and family.

#### **LUNCHEON RESERVATION PROCEDURE**

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, say your phone number, and indicate your choice of entrée unless it is a buffet luncheon. Paula or Mary will call you back to confirm your reservation. Remember, you must be confirmed. Reservations by email will not be accepted.

#### PLEASE, NO CALLS AFTER 5 P.M. OR ON WEEKENDS

A to K Paula Ritchie 407-222-5205 L to Z Mary Ward 407-222-4446

You may pay by CASH (exact change is appreciated) 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 November 10, the <u>Thursday before the luncheon</u>. Anyone who cancels after the deadline will reimburse the club. No walk-ins allowed.

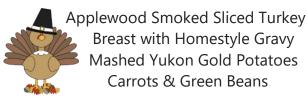
#### LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING November 17, 2022

Orlando Hilton-Altamonte Springs 350 S. Northlake Blvd. Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

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

# November Menu

#### **Entrée Choice**



Vegetarian Option: Pasta Primavera

#### **SALAD AND SIDES**

Caesar Salad

House Bread with Butter

#### **DESSERT**

Pumpkin Cheesecake

#### **BEVERAGES**

Regular and Decaf Coffee Iced and Hot Tea

**LUNCHEON COST: \$25** 

#### **Directions to Orlando Hilton:**

350 S. Northlake Blvd. Altamonte Springs, FL 32701



- From I-4, take exit 92, go east on SR 436 to Northlake Blvd. Turn right onto Northlake Blvd.
   (1st street after I-4 exit) for approximately 1/2 mile.
   The Hilton hotel is on your right.
- From Oviedo or Winter Springs, take SR 436 to Northlake Blvd. Turn left onto Northlake Blvd., go about 1/2 mile and see the Hilton on your right.





#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Ladies,

October 2022 will certainly be a month for the record books with the devastation caused throughout Florida by hurricane lan. I hope you all came through the storm with little or no damage and are

doing well by now. Looking back on this decade, we started off with COVID-19 in 2020, so it's been a roller coaster ride so far!

I thought this would be a good time to highlight our Outreach group, chaired by Barbara Tuson. This is the philanthropic arm of our organization through which we support various charities in the Orlando area. At our October luncheon, we held a food drive, and it could not have been timelier due to the need generated by Ian. The donations were given to Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida. In this case, we donated to a large organization that provides resources to many people in need. We have also supported smaller organizations like Ali's Hope Foundation in the past that don't have large donors they can rely on. We are always looking for groups who can use our help, so please contact Barbara with any recommendations you might have or if you'd like to help her with the Outreach projects.

Thank you all for your support of our philanthropic causes.

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#### HELPING HANDS

Co-Chairs:

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420 Toni Thoms 217-620-7745

Trisha and Toni are available to

provide assistance at the Newcomers' luncheons. If you should need help entering the luncheon venue from the parking lot or carrying your plate from a buffet, please give Trisha or Toni a phone call, and let them know how they may help.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

**Did you know** that Newcomers has a Facebook page where you can view photos from our events? If your interest group is not pictured, contact Ronnie Telzer at 407-365-1580 for details on how to have your group included.

**Did you know** that you can find current and back issues of the *Chatter* as well as pictures on the Newcomers website? Check out Newcomers online at:

www.newcomerscfl.org

https://www.facebook.com/NewcomersofCentralFloridaInc

# UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

Please note: December's luncheon is on the SECOND Thursday.

December 8
Heathrow Country Club
Holiday Program

January 19 Simon Time Trivia Location TBA



# **November Birthdays**



- Shirley Freet
- 3 Gail Boudreaux
- 5 Mary Ward
- 8 Gerry Hindes
- 13 Karyll Shaw
- 14 Donna DiLisio-Yonkin
- 17 Vicky Brown
- 22 Joan Hansen
- 24 Dawn Courtright

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Chair: Brenda Jones 407-435-3026

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**Current Membership: 114** 

**New Members** 

#### **Margarite Newhouse**

216 Cherrywood Gardens Dr.

Maitland, FL 32751

Cell: 407-635-7528

Email: margarite.newhouse@icloud.com

Birthday: January 19 Originally from: Arkansas



# YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

Corresponding Secretary Vicki Nidzgorski requests your help. Please contact Vicki if you

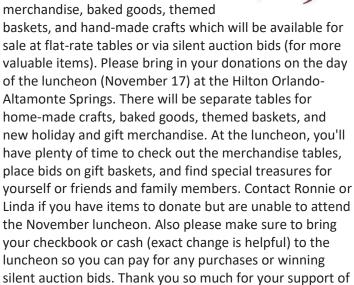
know of a member who is ill, lost a loved one or just needs to know that we care so that she can send a card. "Milestone" birthdays will also be acknowledged if Vicki is made aware. You can contact her by email at <a href="mailto:vanum77@aol.com">vanum77@aol.com</a> or text/call her at 813-395-3611.



#### WAYS & MEANS

Co-Chairs: Linda Gallagher 407-592-9573 Ronnie Telzer 407-365-1580

Our biggest Ways & Means fundraiser of the year, a Holiday Gift and Craft Boutique and Basket Auction, is coming up this November for your shopping pleasure. To ensure the success of this event, we'd like members to donate <a href="mailto:new">new</a> gift and holiday merchandise, baked goods, themed





our holiday fundraiser.

#### HOOKED ON BOOKS

Carol Smith 407-618-3478

October is a good month for a murder mystery, and *The Maid* 

by Nita Prose fit the bill. The quirky maid, a grandmother's wise sayings, and a devious hotel staff made for an interesting discussion. In addition to talking about our novel, we also planned out our contributions for the November Basket Auction. Come to the luncheon for an opportunity to bid on these charming creations.

Hooked on Books Book Club is a delightful place to make friends and have intriguing book discussions over a cup of coffee and a donut. Join us in November when we will be discussing *One Italian Summer* by Rebecca Serle. For more details, see page 5.



#### CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

#### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22**



Everyone is welcome to join our group of lovely ladies to enjoy a movie and dinner afterwards at BJ's Restaurant. Our goal is to have fun and make new friends. All club members will be notified by email of the movie selected and the meeting time on the weekend before the Tuesday movie. We meet at the Regal Oviedo Mall movie theater box office area 20 minutes before the movie's starting time. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or text Trisha directly at the number listed above. See you at the movies!

Please RSVP so that Trisha has a count for BJ's Restaurant.

#### COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611

Karyll Shaw, our hostess, provided us with decorations, music, roses for our hair, handheld fans, and Sangria to complement our Spanish Tapas theme meeting. Of

course, chorizo and Manchego cheese starred in many of our dishes with Dru Juhl's bacon wrapped chorizo stuffed dates as a favorite. The perfect combination of sweet and savory! Next month, Christine Shapin will be our hostess on November 10, with our theme, "Encore, Encore!" We will be bringing prepared dishes from recipes from previous NCF cookbooks that some of our members have procured.

To participate in November, please contact Vicki by text/email/phone with two recipes from the NCF cookbooks that you have not made before, which you are willing to prepare for our theme. Vicki will let you know which recipe has been chosen for you to prepare. Ensure your participation by emailing or texting a photo of the recipe to Vicki by November 3. Come to Cooking Club on November 10 with your prepared dish, a serving utensil if needed, and your printed recipe PDF that will be emailed to you. Plan to enjoy taste testing and discussing our "Encore" recipes. Although we are at our limit with 8 participants this month, you may call Vicki to be placed on a waitlist.

Cooking Club is preparing some wonderful baskets for the November Basket Auction. We hope you enjoy bidding on these delectable creations at the November luncheon.



#### INSIDE THE ARTS

STEPPIN' OUT

Upcoming Events!

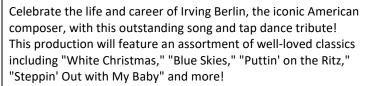
Co-Chairs:
Sheri Dyer 407-766-1804
Sheri@imadyer.com
Michele Marino 612-801-7949
mmmarino10@gmail.com

## Wednesday, December 14, 2 p.m.

What: Steppin' Out with Irving Berlin
Where: Winter Park Playhouse
Cost: \$37 (14 seats available)

**Dinner following the show:** The Porch, 643 N. Orange Ave., Winter Park

Sign up deadline: The November 17 Luncheon



Sign up at the November 17 luncheon. If you prefer to sign up by mail, send your check to Sheri Dyer at 2410 Huntingdale Lane, Oviedo, FL 32765. Please make your check out to Sheri Dyer.

#### Save The Date

#### Friday, January 20, 5:30 p.m.

What: House Party at Sheri's followed by
Orlando Concert Bank at St. Luke's Church, Oviedo

Friday, February 3, 11:30 – 1:30 p.m.

What: 13th Annual Tables Extraordinaire

Where: Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Maitland

More details to come in the December Chatter.

# **Upcoming Events Reminder**

Sign up deadline has passed. Please contact Sheri to be added to a wait list for last-minute availability.

#### Friday, November 4, 12:30 p.m.

What: Orlando Glass Blowing Center Where: 130 Bomar Ct., Suite 130 Longwood, FL 32750

**Time:** 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

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#### Tuesday, November 15, 11 a.m.

What: Festival of Trees

Where: Orlando Museum of Art

**Time:** 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Cost:** \$12 if over 60, otherwise \$20 **Parking:** \$7 (carpooling is encouraged)

Lunch: White Wolf Café

1829 N. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32804

# REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH

Outreach Chair: Barbara Tuson
barbara@tuson.us



Thank you all for your generous food donations for Second Harvest. Second Harvest is providing disaster meals to the hardest-hit areas in Florida. The food bank is back in operation and working at an "above and beyond" level to provide sustaining nutrition for families and seniors impacted by Hurricane Ian. Volunteers are sorting and packing disaster relief boxes in the main facility here in Orlando. Again, thank you for providing some muchneeded help.

Also, keep saving your pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities. Each of us donating a small amount adds up — I just delivered a bag containing 12 ½ pounds of tabs. They were very grateful for the donation. I am still looking for a truly worthwhile December/Christmas project and would be happy for your suggestions and recommendations.



# Time to Restart a Newcomers' Tradition

Game Day is a fun way to spend a day with friends while supporting a local charity. A chairperson is needed



to coordinate this worthwhile event. Please consider volunteering for this position. For more information, contact Sue Horn at 303-807-4088 or swfhorn@aol.com.





# **MONDAYS**

#### **MAH JONGG**

Loretta Kowalski 407-405-2446

When: Mondays 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Where: Tremont in Oviedo

Bring lunch, beverage and \$5 in change.

See you there!

# **TUESDAYS**

#### **HOOKED ON BOOKS**

Carol Smith 407-618-3478

smith4cr@gmail.com

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - November 8

1:30 p.m. Where: Dunkin'

3551 Dovera Dr., Oviedo

NOV One Italian Summer

by Rebecca Serle

DEC God Rest Ye, Royal Gentlemen

by Rhys Bowen

The Girl in His Shadow IAN

by Audrey Blake

FEB Faith Bass Darling's

Last Garage Sale by Lynda Rutledge

#### CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

tfuston@aol.com

When: Tuesday - November 22 Where: Regal Oviedo Mall Movie

Theater

Members will receive an email to inform them of the movie title and meeting time the weekend before the screening.

Please RSVP to Trisha.



#### **CHATTER ARTICLES**

Please email *Chatter* articles to Carol Smith at smith4cr@gmail.com by November 12.

## **WEDNESDAYS**

#### LADIES BRIDGE - 4th Wednesday

Sue Horn 303-807-4088

When: 4th Wednesday

10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Where: Carrabba's Italian Grill

5280 Red Bug Lake Rd Winter Springs, FL 32708

Anyone interested in playing should contact Sue Horn at the number listed

above.

# **THURSDAYS**

#### **BOARD MEETING**

Sue Horn 303-807-4088

swfhorn@aol.com

When: 1st Thursday of the month

10 a.m. - Noon

Where: Perkins Winter Springs

701 E. State Rd. 434 Winter Springs, FL 32708

Please RSVP to Sue Horn.

#### **COOKING CLUB**

#### Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday - November 10

12 p.m.

Where: Christine Shapin

1543 Braewick St Winter Springs 32708

Theme: Encore, Encore! Limit: 8 participants

> RSVP to Vicki by Thursday, November 3 at 813-395-3611

Recipes must be submitted before Thursday, November 3, to Vicki Nidzgorski at vanum77@aol.com.

## **FRIDAYS**

#### **BUNKO - Dicey Bunkettes**

Lona Love sunsh132@bellsouth.net

When: 2nd Friday of the month

10:45 a.m.

Where: Outback Steakhouse 5891 Red Bug Lake Rd.

Winter Springs, FL 32708

At the corner of Red Bug Lake and Tuskawilla Rds.

If you are interested in joining the group, please email Lona, putting

BUNKO in the subject line.

# 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. The host couple provides soft

drinks and dessert.



## ON-LINE LADIES BRIDGE

Several of the bridge players have been playing on-line bridge using trickster.com. If you are interested in trying it. Sue Horn would be happy to help you get on the app and see how it works. You can contact Sue at:

Cell: 303-807-4088

See pictures from our October events on our Facebook page or our website.



www.newcomerscfl.org

https://www.facebook.com/Newcomers of Central Floridalnc



# **Basket Donation Form**

Basket Name:		
Approximate To	tal Value:	
Altamonte. If yo (407-592-9573) for you. Note: Th	ou have a basket donation and cannot atter or Ronnie Telzer (407-365-1580). Please se	n on the day of the November 17 luncheon at the Hilton- id the November luncheon, please contact Linda Gallagher t your desired minimum opening bid below, or we will do it ay boutique items like wreaths, crafts and baked goods will sales for lower-end products.
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(Please use reverse sheet for additional bids if necessary)