



LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

March 19, 2015

Radisson Hotel Orlando-UCF Area
1724 N. Alafaya Trail
Orlando, FL 32826
Phone (407) 658-9008

Gather at 11:30 a.m.

Lunch at noon

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 16, 2015
Fashion Show with Dillard's
Double Tree UCF
May 21, 2015
Installation and
Winter Park Playhouse Cabaret
Rio Pinar Country Club



PENNY AUCTION!

It's Penny Auction time! Just bring one or two new and unwanted gift items worth at least \$5 each to the March luncheon. For each item you donate, you will receive a perforated sheet with 27 numbered tickets. One ticket is for a special door prize drawing, another ticket is yours to keep, and the remaining 25 tickets should be placed in the cups in front of items you would like to win.

After lunch, we'll draw the winning number for each prize. Here's your chance to win a wide assortment of "recycled" gifts--items that are brand new but unloved by other members. Popular items in the past have included: jewelry, housewares, tote bags, games, stationery, apparel, leather goods, picture frames, photo albums, bath and body products, yard decor, seasonal items, greeting cards sets, collectibles, and candles. Additional ticket sheets, priced at \$5 each, can be purchased at the luncheon. If you have more than two items to donate, you are welcome to bring them. However, only a maximum of two free ticket sheets will be given to each donor.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend what promises to be one of the most rewarding luncheon events of the year!

Directions to Radisson Hotel Orlando - UCF area: Located near the University of Central Florida on SR 434/Alafaya Trail just north of Colonial Drive.

March Menu

Buffet

Mixed Greens with
Ranch & Balsamic Dressings

Pasta Salad

Served with Fresh Rolls & Bread

Chicken Marsala
Honey Baked Ham

Rosemary Roasted Potatoes
and
Seasonal Vegetables

Chef's Choice of Assorted Desserts

Iced & Hot Tea and Coffee

\$23

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, say your phone number and your choice of entrée. You will receive a phone confirmation. You must be confirmed. Thanks! E-mails not valid.

PLEASE, NO CALLS AFTER 5 P.M.

A-L Betty Little 407-679-7395 M-Z Mary Beth Russo 407-388-1250

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. Prearrange payment for guests.

RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5 P.M. ON THE SUNDAY BEFORE THE LUNCHEON (MARCH 15, 2015). ANYONE CANCELLING AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL REIMBURSE THE CLUB. NO WALK-INS ALLOWED.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



I love to travel--and know many of you share this passion. As a result, it was really helpful to hear world traveler Myrna Ossin discuss "Packing Tips for Your Trips" at our last luncheon. We had an outstanding turnout of 93 people, and enjoyed great food and service at Tuscowilla Country Club. Although I'm not likely to limit myself to carry-on bags when I fly, I'm sure I'll take advantage of some of Myrna's space-saving suggestions when I pack for my next trip.

Our club's Gift Exchange proved to be a big hit with luncheon attendees. Your \$3 donations helped benefit Ways & Means, which funds our club operations. Thanks to Pam Richards, Ways & Means chair, for bringing us this innovative and fun fund-raising idea which generated \$135 for the club.

A huge fund-raising opportunity is coming up soon--the Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bay Hill March 18-22. Participation not only benefits us as a club, but also helps the Arnold and Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women and Children. Our club staffs a beverage concession with available shifts from 9:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m., and 1:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. To volunteer, contact Judy Babine at 321-972-8510 or ju1002@aol.com (subject Bay Hill).

The "Help Wanted" sign is up as we start the process of filling Board and Committee Chair positions for the 2015-2016 membership year which begins June 1. It takes a village to keep a club like Newcomers going strong. We encourage new and existing members to get involved. For the first time, we have posted job descriptions (compiled with the help of Parliamentarian Susan Murray) on the website under the Board Member tab. This will enable you to read all about job requirements for individual positions and match them to your interests and skills. Please contact Carolyn Williams, Linda Gallagher and Diane Olivi to apply for Executive Board positions--and Ronnie Telzer for all other jobs. If you're still not sure how to help, just call--we also need committee members and help with special events.

Our annual Penny Auction is coming up in March--so start checking your closets for one or two new but unwanted gifts (worth at least \$5 each). In past years, popular items have included: candles, note cards, housewares, wallets, holiday decor, apparel, jewelry, towels, beach bags, purses, picture frames, gift cards, serving pieces, bath/body lotion sets, tote bags, clocks, toys, games, and figurines. For each gift donated (maximum two), you will receive a free card with numbered tickets that you can use to try to win gifts you'd like to take home. Additional cards can be purchased for \$5.

Thanks to everyone who made our February events such a big success. I attended Tables Extraordinaire in Maitland with Inside the Arts (see photos in this issue and on-line). If you were unable to attend, you missed a very special experience. Plus the event volunteers really made us feel welcome. I hope our group will be back again next year. Hope you had a sweet Valentine's Day weekend with pot luck, international dining, or your own friends and family.--Ronnie Telzer

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 who will assist you. Please do not call the venue.

WINNERS AT THE FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

Free luncheon: Diane Olivi
\$10 T.J. Maxx gift card: Diane Arserio
50/50 jackpot of \$95: Jenny Iacovazzi

BOARD MEETING Thursday, March 5, 2015 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All board meetings will be held on the first Thursday of the month. RSVP to Ronnie by phone or email. Perkins Restaurant & Bakery, 6425 University Blvd., Winter Park, FL 32792.



MEET OUR MEMBERS



Lona Love was born in the Pittsburgh, PA area, but moved to St. Petersburg, FL as a teenager. She lived in many states in the Southeast before settling in Atlanta, GA,

where she and her husband raised two sons. Lona is a retired teacher with degrees from George State and Vanderbilt. She moved to Winter Springs in 1987, when her son offered her a position in his newly formed retail business. She put her Business Management/Accounting degree to practical use there and also taught part-time at Valencia. Her hobbies include Square Dancing, Bridge, Water Aerobics, and now Bunco. Lona's husband shared her love of travel but passed away two years ago. She was introduced to Newcomers by her neighbor, Karen Jacobs, joined the club in 2013, and currently serves as Chair of our new Friday Bunko group which meets at Deer Run. Lona says, "It has been a great experience getting to know so many new people."



Sharon Shulman moved to Florida after graduating from the University of Vermont in 1978.

She settled in Maitland, had two children, and founded a bakery business, Sprinkles Custom Cakes, which created unique cakes for special occasions as well as corporate clients. About four years later, she met her husband Eric. They became a blended family with four great kids. Sharon joined Newcomers in 2014, and currently chairs our Maj Jongg group. She welcomes new and existing players to join the group which meets weekly on Mondays at Riverside Park in Oviedo. A resident of Winter Springs, she is also an avid golfer who enjoys traveling and riding a Harley motorcycle with her husband and dog, Lucy. "I came to Florida to find love and friendship," says Sharon, who achieved her goals, noting that "with the help of the Newcomers group, the friends are covered."



MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

Joan Gray 407-677-5447

We now have 230 members. Please add our newest members to your directory.

Yvonne David (Malcolm) 407-788-6774
 108 Water Oak Lane cell 407-383-7600
 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714 (Spring Valley)
 6/13 ygdauid@earthlink.net

Karyll Shaw 407-636-5075
 9445 Brownwood Ct. cell 425-269-1050
 Oviedo, FL 32765 (Lakes of Aloma)
 11/13 karyllshaw@gmail.com

new emails:

Barbara Higgins barbhiggins1207@gmail.com
 Valari Canonico all4forhim@gmail.com

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3/1 Sharon DeRose
 3/2 Lona Love
 3/3 Rose Boothby
 3/3 Anne Shapiro
 3/5 Sylvia Abolafia
 3/6 Ruth Scrimenti
 3/7 Linda Selby
 3/8 Evelyn LaBruto
 3/9 Diane Hubbard
 3/11 Maria Clonch
 3/12 Barbara Dwyer
 3/14 Barbara Rasmussen
 3/15 Charlotte Becker
 3/21 Diane Arserio
 3/23 Susan Cross
 3/25 Sally Campfield
 3/25 Sue Gaddone
 3/29 Brenda H. Jones
 3/30 Jackie Pratt
 3/31 Sherry McFarland



CORRESPONDENCE

Ann Denton 407-831-7720
 Edenton5@cfl.rr.com



If you know of or hear of a member who is ill or has a family member in the hospital, please notify Ann.

Welcome packets sent to Yvonne David, Karyll Shaw and Kathleen Tiedeken.

Thank you card sent to Linda Helm, Manager, Tuscawilla Country Club.

Get well card sent to Mary Ward.

Helping Hands

If you know of a member who may need a Helping Hand, please contact Sharon Frumkin at 321-765-4804 or e-mail Sharonfrumkin@yahoo.com.

2014-2015 OFFICERS

President	Ronnie Telzer	407-365-1580
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	Mary Beth Russo	407-388-1250
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Website	Pat Fluno	407-998-1037

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Blackjack	Névine Snyder	407-381-4408
Bridge	Pat McRee	407-359-1228
	Sim Horst	407-678-2961
Bunko 3rd Mon.	Sharen Isham	407-380-1676
4th Thurs.	Jenny Iacovazzi	407-331-4523
2nd Fri.	Lona Love	407-977-0046
Chick Flicks	Susan Murray	407-375-9417
	Sharon Prescott	407-924-1598
Hooked on Books	Joan Bové	407-971-3911
International Dining	Névine Snyder	407-381-4408
	Solly Haber	321-972-5521
Let's Chat & Chew	Névine Snyder	407-381-4408
Let's Do It	Pat Brizel	407-277-2070
	Dru Juhl	407-682-6306
Mah Jongg	Sharon Shulman	407-388-1716
Pot Luck Dining	Joan Bové	407-971-3911
50/50	Marge Ahearn	407-834-5625
	Lorraine Barnett	407-312-9670



INSIDE THE ARTS

Louise Gallagher: 321-765-4371
Tracy Pappafotis: 407-234-8955

Uptown Art Expo
4th Annual Celebration of Art and Music
Cranes Roost Park, Altamonte Springs, FL
DATE: Saturday, March 28, 2015

We will meet outside of Café Murano, 309 Cranes Roost Blvd., Altamonte Springs at 10 a.m. Come and celebrate art, festival eats and live beats. Cranes Roost Park at Uptown Altamonte will come alive with artisans showcasing their talents, color and music. The Art Festival will feature 150 juried art and fine crafts with displays of glass, jewelry, mosaics, paintings, photography, pottery, sculpture and more... all available for purchase.

Please contact Tracy or Louise if you are interested in joining us.

OUTLOOK ON OUTREACH

by Karen A. Jacobs, Outreach Chairman
kja9850@hotmail.com/912-660-8063



Thanks for your generous donations of underwear and socks to help families and individuals survive the winter cold. Woodbury Food Pantry will be the focus of March's meeting, so please begin NOW collecting men's jeans and tarps and bring them along with you! Check out your local thrift shops for the best deals!

Mark your calendars NOW and join us as we tour the Ronald McDonald House of Orlando on March 26 at 10:30 a.m. See what they're all about and join us for a no-host luncheon afterwards. Please contact Karen to sign up ASAP!

As always, thanks for continuing to donate tabs from aluminum cans for Ronald McDonald House and current coupons for the Russell Home for Atypical Children.

WE APPRECIATE YOU!

10 Night Southwest Panama Cruise

November 11-21, 2015

MSC Divina

Rates are per person based on double occupancy. Included: roundtrip motorcoach (based on 30 or more people), roundtrip driver and portage gratuities, taxes of \$99 per person included



Cabin options:

Inside: \$1129

Oceanview: \$1239

Balcony: \$1339

Balcony stateroom: \$1369

Balcony staterooms receive \$25 per person onboard credit

Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
1	Miami		7:00 P.M.
2	At Sea		
3	Falmouth, Jamaica	9:00 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
4	At Sea		
5	Cartagena, Colombia	7:00 A.M.	5:00 P.M.
6	Cristobal, Panama	9:00 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
7	Puerto Limón, Costa Rica	8:00 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
8	At Sea		
9	Cozumel, Mexico	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
10	At Sea		
11	Miami	6:00 A.M.	

Singles require a double deposit.

A \$100 per person deposit is due with reservation.

A second deposit of \$750 per person is due by May 1, 2015.

Final payment is due by August 11, 2015.

For more information, please contact:

Joan Lenard (407-671-8454) JLenard1@aol.com

or

Solly Haber (321-972-5521) sollyhaber@aol.com



Game Day co-chair Brenda Jones (left) and chair Joan Bové (right) presented a \$500 donation check from Newcomers of Central Florida to Vantrese Blair, Executive Director of The Russell Home for Atypical Children.

LET'S DO IT

Pat Brizel 407-277-2070

March 11, 2015 at 11 a.m.

World of Chocolate Museum & Cafe
11701 International Dr.,
Orlando, FL 32821

Venue phone: 407-778- 4871

\$20 admission includes one chocolate tour, one cup of coffee or cocoa, and one dessert.

RSVP to Pat at 407-277-2070 by March 4.

We can go outlet shopping or to the parks after the tour.





POT LUCK DINING

Joan Bové 407-971-3911
Saturday, March 7, 2015 6:30 p.m.

Our hostess will be Rae Vigilante
617 Ellsworth St.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
321-972-1322



February Hosts Edith & Charles Schulman

PLEASE no calls for directions and food selection until 3/1/2015. BYOB



CHICK FLICKS
(last Tuesday of the month)

You will receive an email to inform you of the chosen movie and optional meal venue. You will need to contact the Chair by phone or email to RSVP.

Susan Murray	Even Months 407-375-9417
Sharon Prescott	Odd Months 407-924-1598

BUNKO GROUPS



Salad Bunko

3rd Monday 12 noon
Sharen Isham 407-380-1676

Thursday Bunko

4th Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Jenny Iacovazzi 407-331-4523

Dicey Bunkettes

2nd Friday 11:00 a.m.
Lona Love Deer Run Country Club
407-977-0046

*Call the Chairs of any group you would like to join or to be put on their substitute list.

LADIES BRIDGE



We play on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Deer Run Country Club, 300 Daneswood Way, Casselberry, at 11 a.m. and enjoy lunch there.

Make your reservation with either of the Chairs:

Pat McRee 407-359-1228 patmcree@bellsouth.net	Sim Horst 407-678-2961 skhorst@embarqmail.com
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HOOKED ON BOOKS

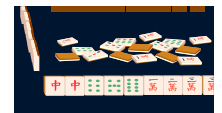
Joan Bové
407-971-3911

Tuesday...March 10, 2015...1 p.m.
Oviedo Mall...South end of the food court

March.....Natchez Burning by Greg Iles
April.....The Girl on the Train by Paula Hawkins
May.....Queen Sugar by Natalie Baszile
June.....The Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown

MAH JONGG

Sharon Shulman 407-388-1716



Mondays 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Bring lunch, beverage and \$4 in change.

Mah Jongg is held at the Riverside Park in Oviedo.
As always...bring a bag lunch and \$4 cash.

See you there!

Edith Schulman will teach any members interested in learning the game.

Arnold Palmer Invitational at Bay Hill

Our annual fundraiser still needs
volunteers for a 4-5 hour shift
during March 18-22, 2015.

Call Judy Babine if interested.
321-972-8510

Newcomers T-Shirts

Off The Wall Prints at Seminole Towne Center in Sanford has our Newcomers' logo available for screen printing.



Take your own white shirt (polo or T) and they will screen print it for \$8 plus tax. Off The Wall Prints' address: Seminole Towne Center, 176 Towne Center Circle, Sanford, FL 32771, 321-355-2373.

BLACKJACK GROUP



Friday, March 25, 2015
Time: 11 a.m.– 2 p.m.

Please bring snacks to share at the home of:
Névine Snyder
14784 Burntwood Circle
Orlando, Florida 32826

I encourage and welcome anyone who would like to join us. Interested in coming?
Call Névine 407-381-4408.



Attendees at Tables Extraordinaire: Brenda Jones, Virginia Gallaway, Joan Bové, Ronnie Telzer, Barbara Wiseman, Pat Brizel, Christine Shapin, DeDe Fluhr and Jo-Ann Jaeger

TABLES EXTRAORDINAIRE

Joan Bové, Dede Fluhr and Brenda Jones at "Tables"



Newcomers gathered around one of the "Tables."



Left to right: Ronnie Telzer, Patti Campbell, Linda Smith, Rosemary Kubanet, Linda Hargreaves and Karen Jacobs



Jo-Ann and DeDe enjoying another display



Barbara Wiseman, Tracy Pappafotis and Pat Brizel at the ice cream sundae table sponsored by our local Ronald McDonald House (close-up below)



Tracy Pappafotis (Inside the Arts co-chair) with Barbara Wiseman and Linda Smith



Linda Hargreaves admiring one of the many table settings



Two church volunteers selling baked goods



NEWCOMERS CRUISE ON EXPLORER OF THE SEAS



Cocktail time for Freda Ackerman, Jean Becker, Georgette Surlak, Cindy Masick, Solly Haber and Marge Ahearn



Ladies playing Mah Jongg on the cruise



Joan Lenard and Rose Boothby's son, Michael



Solly Haber, Jean Becker, Georgette Surlak, Cindy Masick and Cathy Kotowski



Guest speaker Myrna Ossin and Program Co-Chair Linda Gallagher



February birthday ladies (left to right) Eileen Guesman, Mary Jane Godfrey, T. Kay White, Carol Schuett, Mary Beth Russo and Caroline Dawson



Ways and Means Chair Pam Richards and Betsy Kraynick arranged a lovely gift exchange.



Guests Pat Cranford and Bunny Hayden with member Karen Jacobs



Wonderful friends (left to right) Linda Hargreaves, Denise Tucker, Sharon Frumkin, DeDe Fluhr and Joan Orlowsky



Gift exchange participants- Betty Little, President Ronnie Telzer and Program Co-Chair Joan Hansen



Guest Valerie Taylor, Dawn Sumrall, guest Sue Myers and Chris Myers



Our Inspiration speaker Rose Owens with her friend Susan DeTemple



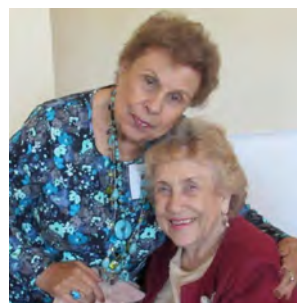
Dottie Cumello brought guest Faye Rodgers who became the club's 230th member.



Christine Shapin with her gift



Guest Judy Aakeberg and Linda Smith



So cute: Janet Angelin and Mike Frazier



Members Lin Jensen and Janine Johnson enjoying the luncheon

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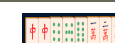

*There are no Strangers,
Just Friends we haven't met!*



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

See the Chatter in color at www.newcomerscfl.org

March 2015

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29	30  MAH JONGG	31  CHICK FLICKS				