

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





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The Basics of Wine with Sommelier Mary Montalvo

Mary Montalvo, sommelier and owner of Luisa's Cellar in downtown Sanford and the director of education and founder of the North Carolina Wine Academy in Asheville, NC, will be sharing her passion for wine

education for wine lovers, enthusiasts, as well as the occasional social partaker. Mary's abbreviated "The Basics of Wine: Understanding Red, White and Rosé" is designed to instill confidence and put you in a comfort zone whenever you are ordering wine at a restaurant or just selecting the perfect bottle of wine from retail to meet your taste buds preference. Hope to see you at the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs!

Basket Auction

See Ways and Means article on page two for details.



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 **NOVEMBER 11, 2021,** 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 18, 2021

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs 350 Northlake Blvd., Altamonte Springs.

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

November Menu

ENTRÉE CHOICE

A Meal of Thanksgiving

Turkey served with Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Stuffing and Green Beans

OR

A Vegetarian Delight

Tuscan Ratatouille Tart

A garden fresh blend of fire-roasted zucchini, yellow squash, red onions, bell peppers, and mushrooms all perfectly seasoned with garlic, oregano and basil. The vegetables are accompanied by a rich blend of herb cheese and ricotta and elegantly displayed in a sundried tomato tart shell.

SIDES

Garden Salad with Ranch or Vinaigrette Dressing Fresh Bread

DESSERT

We will have cake and we'll eat it too!

BEVERAGES

Regular and Decaf Coffee Iced and Hot Tea

LUNCHEON COST: \$25

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs

350 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, go west on SR 436 to Northlake Blvd. Turn left onto Northlake Blvd. The Hilton hotel is approximately 1/2 mile on your right.



Need assistance walking into or out of our luncheon venues? Please tell our Reservations team when you make your reservation. Please **do not** call the venue.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Ladies,

October's Board Meeting was very busy and productive. We reviewed many of the wonderful activities planned for the last two months of the 2021 calendar year. The Board is

counting on your participation to make these events a big success.

November is usually considered the last full month of Autumn, and, as you know, one of just four months with only 30 days. Yet my thoughts today are not on the cooler

days ahead but instead are focused on the past 11 months of 2021 which brought too many blessings to enumerate. The traditional Thanksgiving holiday this year will clearly be different. Many of us will travel closer to home and spend less time with family, making it



more important than ever to remember and treasure what we are truly thankful for. Try to count your blessings. I bet your cup will overflow.

I plan to see you at many upcoming club events, not just luncheons. I know most of you are aware of our December luncheon date, but one more reminder never hurts: our December 9 holiday luncheon is on the second Thursday of the month, not the usual third Thursday!

Keep Newcomers on your calendar. Stay safe, and be well!

Betty Little

November Birthdays



- 1 Shirley Freet
- 1 Debra Pollock
- 2 Linda Smith
- 3 Gail Boudreaux
- 5 Mary Ward
- 8 Gerry Hindes
- 13 Karyll Shaw
- 17 Vicky Brown
- 22 Joan Hansen
- 24 Dawn Courtright
- 25 Pat Biechele

UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE DECEMBER 9

A holiday luncheon featuring music by The Martin Duo will take place at the Timacuan Country Club



WAYS & MEANS

Co-Chairs: Linda Gallagher Ronnie Telzer

Our previous gift basket fundraisers have been so successful that we are planning another one at this year's November 18 luncheon. We're asking club members to put together themed baskets, tins or floral wreaths and donate them to the club. 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 November 2021 luncheon at the Hilton Orlando-Altamonte Springs--or ask us to store and deliver your finished basket for you if you are unable to attend the luncheon. Also, make sure to bring cash or a check to pay for your winning auction bids. Thank you for supporting our Ways & Means holiday fundraiser. Please note: there will not be a basket auction at the December luncheon.



Your Help Is 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. You can contact her by email at vanum77@aol.com or text/call her at 813-395-3611.

REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH

Outreach Chairs: Dru Juhl Barbara Kalicki





It is that time of year again for non-perishable food for the many Thanksgiving meal items needed by several organizations. During this continuing trying time, there is more need than ever. Do whatever you can, and please no dented cans or outdated products.

Thank you in advance for your continued generosity!



INSIDE THE ARTS

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

Wednesday, November 17, 10 a.m.

What: Festival of Trees

Where: Orlando Museum of Art Cost: \$15 (\$12 for seniors over 65)



We will be visiting the Festival of Trees at the Orlando Museum of Art, where a glittering wonderland with sparkling trees and stunning decor will enchant you. This should surely get us in the holiday spirit.

Following our museum visit, we will enjoy lunch at Firebirds Wood Fired Grill just down the street on Mills Avenue.

To sign up, please send a check to Helen Hoppmann made out to Helen Hoppmann at 1719 Tealbriar Ave., Oviedo 32765 or you may sign up at the October luncheon.

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 5 p.m.

What: Christmas Sunset Cruise

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Registration deadline: Thursday, November 18



Please join us for a one hour seasonal tour where we will enjoy the sunset and natural beauty as we cruise on Lake Beauclair. Upon our return to Lake Dora, we will be able to view the Christmas light display from the Mount Dora Marina. Plan on arriving at the dock at the back of the Lakeside Inn between

4:30 - 4:45, as we will depart promptly at 5 p.m. Complementary parking is available at the surrounding area at the inn.

After the cruise, we will dine at The Frog and Monkey Restaurant & Pub. The pub is located two blocks away in the basement of the Renaissance building. You should plan on relocating your car to the complementary parking lot behind the restaurant.

Please plan on paying for your ticket in full when you sign up at the November luncheon or a previous Newcomers function. Checks should be made payable to Linda Hargreaves. If you prefer to register prior to the luncheon, you may mail your check to Linda Hargreaves, 1035 Whispering Cove, Casselberry. Please remember that your registration is not complete until ticket is paid for. SPACE IS LIMITED! First come, first served. Please contact Helen or Linda with any questions.

Addresses:

Marina – 100 Alexander St., Mt. Dora, behind the Lakeside Inn The Frog & Monkey Pub – 411 Donnelly St., Mt. Dora



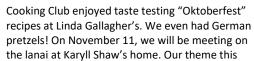
MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Brenda Jones 407-366-7751

Current Membership: 138

COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611





month is "Blog-a-licious." A food blogger is anyone who talks about his or her experiences with food, cooking or recipes and posts them in an online blog. The blog can be a website or a "microblog" like an Instagram or Facebook page. Many of us follow certain cooking personalities who "blog" or write about their experiences and recipes on social media or in specific email posts that you may subscribe to like Natasha's Kitchen, The Pioneer Woman, Bobby Flay, Rachael Ray, etc. If you enjoy trying new recipes and having good conversations with a small group, please consider joining us.

To participate in November, contact Vicki by text/email/phone with TWO new recipes that you have not made before, which you are willing to prepare for our theme. The two recipes do not have to be from the same blogger. Vicki will let you know which recipe has been chosen for you to prepare. To ensure your participation, email or text that recipe to Vicki by November 4. Come to our luncheon with your prepared dish, a serving utensil if needed and your printed recipe PDF that will be sent to you. Plan to enjoy taste testing and discussing our "Blog-a-licious" recipes. Participants limited to 10–12 persons.

CHICK FLICKS

Margie Rick 732-763-5277 November 30 at Regal Oviedo Mall



CO-CHAIR NEEDED

Margie needs help organizing Chick Flicks if it is to continue. If you enjoy participating in Chick Flicks, please consider taking an active role to help with its leadership. Contact Margie for more information.

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 members will be notified by email of the movie selected and the meeting time on the weekend before the Tuesday movie. Buy your ticket at Regal Oviedo Mall upstairs concession stand and join the ladies inside the designated theater. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Margie directly at the number listed above. See you at the movies!

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





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

Joan Bové 407-971-3911

nurseynurs@icloud.com

When: 2nd Tuesday - November 9

1:30 p.m.

Where: Dunkin'

3551 Dovera Dr., Oviedo

NOV The Rose Code

by Kate Quinn

DEC American Dirt

by Jeanine Cummins

JAN The Last Thing He Told Me

by Laura Dave

FEB The Offing

by Ben Myers

CHICK FLICKS

Margie Rick 732-763-5277

mrick1953@gmail.com

CO-CHAIR NEEDED - Contact Margie

When: Last Tuesday of the month

Where: Regal Oviedo Mall

Movie title and meeting time will be sent to all members by email the weekend

before the screening.

Please RSVP to Margie.



CHATTER ARTICLES

Please email *Chatter* articles to Carol Smith by November 16. Send

articles to smith4cr@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAYS

LADIES BRIDGE - 4th Wednesday

Sue Horn 303-807-4088

When: 4th Wednesday

11 a.m.-3 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

Betty Little 407-719-3066

brlittle7@gmail.com

When: 1st Thursday of the month

10 a.m. - Noon

Where: The Town House Restaurant

139 N. Central Ave., Oviedo

Please RSVP to Betty Little.

COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611

When: 2nd Thursday – November 11

12 p.m.

Where: Karvll Shaw's home

9445 Brownwood Ct.

Oviedo 32765

Theme: Blog-a-licious

Limit: 10 – 12

RSVP to Vicki by Thursday, November 4 at 813-395-3611

Recipe name must be submitted by Thursday, November 4, to Vicki Nidzgorski at vanum77@aol.com.

FRIDAYS

BUNKO - Dicey Bunkettes

Lona Love sunsh132@bellsouth.net

NOTE LOCATION CHANGE

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 Tuscawilla 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 and BYOB. 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.

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