



## LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

December 11, 2014  
Timacuan Country Club  
550 Timacuan Blvd.  
Lake Mary, FL 32771  
407-321-0010

Gather at 11:30 a.m.

Lunch at noon

## UPCOMING EVENTS

January 15 Luncheon  
Heathrow Country Club  
Attorneys Deborah Gallagher Warner  
and John Jones will discuss "How to  
Avoid Auto Insurance Nightmares."

## Celebrate the Holidays with the Sister Act Singers



Come join us for our December holiday luncheon featuring Sister Act, a women's quartet known for their cappella songs in barbershop-harmony style. These talented women, who are members of Sweet Adelines International and the O-Town Sound Chorus, include two actual sisters (tenor Susan Densmore and lead Kathy Fisher) and their "sisters in song," baritone Christine Garrott and bass Gail Essner.

Their beautiful renditions of festive holiday favorites and other classic melodies should provide an entertaining and enjoyable experience as we learn more about the elements of barbershop harmony.

Join us for this special luncheon on December 11, the second Thursday of the month. Feel free to wear your holiday finery. We'll have lots of seasonal surprises including a gift basket raffle fundraiser--so be sure to make your reservations now and invite your friends to join us.

Directions to Timacuan Country Club: I-4 to 101A exit turn right on H.E Thomas Pkwy. to first right on Rinehart, left on Timacuan or travel 417 to Rinehart, left on Timacuan Blvd. to country club entrance on the right.

## December Luncheon Buffet

**Chef's Salad Bar:**  
Choice of Ranch or  
Raspberry Vinaigrette Dressing

**Rotini Pasta Salad**  
Pineapple Chicken Salad  
Domestic Cheese Stone and  
Marinated Artichoke Hearts

**Entrees:**  
Oven Baked Turkey Breast with Gravy,  
Roasted Ham Slices with a Pineapple  
and Honey Glaze

**Accompanied by:**  
Fresh Vegetable Medley  
Garlic Mashed Potatoes  
Mashed Sweet Potatoes

Bakery-Fresh Rolls and Butter

Assorted Holiday Cakes,  
Cookies and Pies

Coffee, Decaf Coffee,  
Ice Tea, Hot Tea

**\$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 (DECEMBER 7, 2014)**. ANYONE CANCELLING AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL REIMBURSE THE CLUB. NO WALK-INS ALLOWED.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Ronnie with Kathy McCullar

Our Fall Game Day on November 13 was a great success with 72 women attending to play their choice of Bridge, Bunko, Euchre, Mah-Jongg, or Mexican Train. We all enjoyed the food and hospitality at beautiful Tusawilla Country Club. Special thanks to Joan Bove, our Game Day chair, who was unable to attend the event due to recent surgery. Brenda Jones stepped in for Joan as co-chair, and was assisted by a wonderful group of ladies who included: Marge Ahearn, Judy Babine, Georgeann Clemons, DeDe Fluhr, Pat Fluno, Linda Gallagher, Sim Horst, Gloria Irwin, Brenda Johnson, Betsy Kraynick, Rosemary Kubanet, Joan Lenard, Liz Payer, Mary Ward and many others.

Thanks to everyone who donated door prizes and brought card tables and game equipment. It takes a village to create such a successful event. Proceeds from our Fall Game Day will be divided between Ways & Means and the Russell Home for Atypical Children. In the Spring, we are planning another Game Day which will benefit our club and the Seniors First charity.

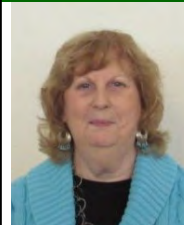
This is a great time of year to celebrate food, friendship and fun. Thanks to Christine Porter, who will be hosting a special holiday tea at her home for a group of members. Inside the Arts has two events scheduled in early December--a high tea at Heathrow and a tour of the Stetson Mansion, which is always beautifully decorated for the holiday season. I've been to all of these events in the past--and highly recommend them. In November, I also enjoyed a Newcomers trip to Gatorland with "Let's Do It," a reunion luncheon with Kathy McCullar (our former historian who visited us from Oregon and took the time to help with this year's scrapbook), a tour of the gorgeous Dr. Phillips Performing Arts Center (with two of my Newcomers friends--Pat Brizel and Petra Yonkova), and a Fathom Events film of the Broadway show Of Mice and Men at the AMC Altamonte Theater with Inside the Arts.

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a happy and healthy holiday season. Thanks also for your ongoing support of our Outreach activities including donations to the troops, Safe House of Seminole, Ronald McDonald House, and the Russell Home. Our next luncheon is set for December 11 (the second Thursday of the month) with the Sister Act a cappella quartet at Timacuan Country Club. This luncheon promises to be a wonderful follow-up to our November luncheon which featured a dazzling performance by the legendary entertainer Miss Jacqueline Jones. Thanks to Program Co-VP's Linda Gallagher and Joan Hansen for doing a spectacular job of putting together a wide variety of entertaining and informative programs at our monthly luncheons.

We had over 90 attendees at the November luncheon, and hope to have an even bigger turnout at our December luncheon. Happy holidays!

Ronnie Telzer

# MEET OUR MEMBERS



Dru Juhl is currently co-chairing "Let's Do It" with Pat Brizel for the second consecutive year. She was born and raised in New Jersey, and met and married her husband, Irving, while attending college in Maryland. Dru moved to Florida in 1967, and has two children and four grandchildren ages 6-12.

After retiring from Florida Hospital, where she worked in Nursing Administration and staffing (and helped set up and open Florida Hospital-Altamonte), Dru joined Newcomers in 2005. She served as club President in 2008-2009, and has also held such posts as Co-VP-Programs, VP-Membership, and Bunko Group Chair. A resident of Altamonte Springs, Dru enjoys Bunko, Mah Jongg, Mexican Train, theatre and travel.



Pat Brizel grew up in Long Island, NY and has been married to her high school sweetheart, Ken, for 36 years. She has worked as a

library assistant and also taught oil painting and ceramics to children when she lived in New Jersey.

Ten years ago, she moved to Florida and joined Newcomers. Currently, Pat is co-chair of "Let's Do It" with Dru Juhl. She started this activity group about five years ago as a successor to "Wild Child."

"Let's Do It" has done everything from chocolate-making and painting to kayaking and bicycling. Pat has also served on the Hospitality and Outreach committees. She enjoys ballroom dancing, nature, and visiting her two children and two grandchildren. Pat says, "With Newcomers, there is always something to do and someone to do it with." She recommends "Let's Do It" because "it's nice to get to know people in a small group."

## WINNERS AT THE NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

Free Luncheon: Evelyn LaBruto  
 Darden Gift card: Susan Cross  
 50/50 winner of \$96: Pat Fluno

## BOARD MEETING Thursday, December 4, 2014 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.



**MEMBERSHIP CHAIR**  
Joan Gray 407-677-5447

We now have 221 members. Please add our newest members to your directory.

Carlisle, Kathleen 407-808-1445  
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Casselberry, FL 32707

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3922 N Tanner Rd  
Orlando, FL 32836 Babswire@aol.com  
Hollywood, FL 3/12

Shinn, Wendy 719-994-2624  
108 Live Oaks Blvd., Unit 108634  
Casselberry, FL 32718 wvshinn@hotmail.com  
NY/Colorado 12/21

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

12/3 Virginia Gallaway  
12/4 Barbara Zeyn  
12/5 Terry Schuster  
12/7 Barbara Higgins  
12/8 Joann Skoropowski  
12/8 Dawn Sumrall  
12/10 Margie Rick  
12/19 Patricia Davis  
12/21 Wendy Shinn  
12/23 Sharon Frumkin  
12/24 Linda Gallagher  
12/24 Barbara Miles  
12/26 Georgette Surlak  
12/27 Rosemary Sprau  
12/28 Rae Vigilante



## 2014-2015 OFFICERS

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	Mary Beth Russo	407-388-1250
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b>	Pam Richards	321-804-5111
<b>Website</b>	Pat Fluno	407-998-1037

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

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

## CORRESPONDENCE

**Ann Denton 407-831-7720**  
[Edenton5@cfl.rr.com](mailto: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. She will send a card. She can be notified by email or by phone.

Welcome Packet sent to Cynthia Lavelly  
Get Well cards sent to: Margie Simmons, Peggy Byrnes  
Denise Ferguson  
Thank You card sent to Tara Mullane, Sales Manager,  
Rio Pinar Country Club

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](mailto:Sharonfrumkin@yahoo.com).



**Let's Do It!**

**4th Annual Florida Key Lime Pie Festival**

January 17, 2015 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. \$10

Exploration Tower -- Port Canaveral, Florida

*Pie Eating Contest:*

Key Lime Pie in a cup, in a coconut or by the slice

*Bartenders Challenge:*

Key Lime Pie Martini and Margaritas

*Marketplace:*

Art, wood carvings, sea glass jewelry and more

Contact Co-Chair: Dru Juhl by Jan. 4 at 407-682-6306



**OUTLOOK ON OUTREACH**

By Karen Jacobs, Outreach Chairperson  
912-660-8063/kja9850@hotmail.com

We are currently collecting monetary donations for Safe House's Santa wish list in the next weeks. If you wish to send me a check made out to me for shopping, mail it to: Karen Jacobs, 133 Peregrine Court, Winter Springs, 32708. Otherwise, you can give your cash donations to me at any Newcomers function and the December luncheon. Thanks in advance for your generosity!

**Ways & Means**

**Pam Richards 321-804-5111**

**December Luncheon Gift Baskets!**



We have some very nice gift baskets to raffle at the December luncheon. Many thanks to Linda Gallagher, Betsy Kraynick and Janine Johnson. We'll end the year on a happy note. All proceeds will benefit Ways & Means. Hope to see you there!

**Newcomers Cruise for 2015**

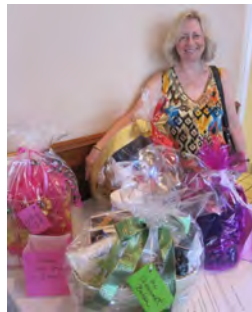
**MSC Divina 10 night Southwest Panama Cruise**

November 11-21, 2015

Miami - Falmouth, Jamaica - Cartagena, Colombia - Cristobal, Panama (through the Gatun locks) - Puerto Limón, Costa Rica - Cozumel, Mexico and back to Miami \$100 per person deposit is due with reservation. Final payment due by August 11, 2015. If we get a party of 30 together, the motor coach from Orlando to Miami is included. More information will be coming in the January Chatter. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Lenard 407-671-8454 or Solly Haber 321-972-5521.



Check-in for the Newcomers Dinner Dance was handled by Diane Hubbard and Carolyn Williams.



Pam Richards with the theme gift baskets she created for the raffle.



Dinner dance co-chairs Judy Babine and Susan Murray

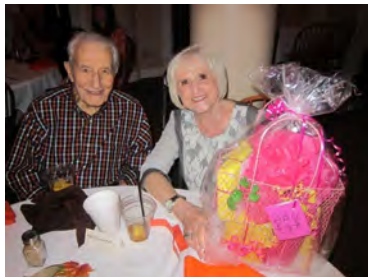


Dancing Newcomers at the Dinner Dance at Deer Run Country Club



Gift basket winners: Dallas and Linda Selby

Prize winner- Julius and Mary Thorne-Raff (below)



Linda and Jim Gallagher won one of the beautiful baskets.

**More pictures can be found on our website!**



Attendees at "Of Mice and Men" (left to right) Anne Shapiro, Estelle Klein, Ronnie Telzer, Louise Gallagher, Linda Gallagher, Linda Hargreaves, Tracy Pappafotis, Judy Babine and Barbara Zeyn



**POT LUCK DINING**

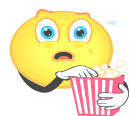
Joan Bove 407-971-3911  
 Saturday, December 13, 2014  
 6:30 p.m.



Nov. hosts: Cyndee & Andy Schaub

Our Hosts will be Brenda and Robert Johnson  
 123 Woodleaf Drive  
 Winter Springs, FL 32708 (Tusca Oaks)  
 321-765-4031

Please call between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. and after 12/7/14 for reservations, food selection and directions.



**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**



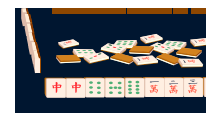
We play on the fourth Wednesday of the month at Deer Run Country Club, 300 Daneswood Way, Casselberry, at 11 a.m. and enjoy lunch there.

Make your reservation with either of the Chairs:

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

**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.



**HOOKED ON BOOKS**

Joan Bové  
 407-971-3911

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at 1 p.m.  
 Oviedo Mall Food Court (South end)

December: The Silent Sister by Diane Chamberlain  
 January: Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult

**INSIDE THE ARTS**

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

**5th Annual Tables Extraordinaire**

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
 1217 Trinity Woods Lane, Maitland, FL 32751  
 Telephone: 407-331-4687

DATE: Wednesday, February 4, 2015  
 TIME 11:30 a.m.

General Admission: \$10 per person (plus lunch)

Come stroll through a wonderland of spectacular "tablescapes" featuring glamorous, elegant and whimsical place settings for special occasions and holiday entertaining. Optional lunch on-site will follow to give you a chance to enjoy some authentic Greek cuisine.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Tracy or Louise.

**BLACKJACK GROUP**



December 18, 2014  
 Time: 12:30 p.m.- 3 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.



# GAME DAY



Bunko prize winners at Game Day included (left to right): Mary Jane Godfrey, Caroline Dawson, Betty Rizzi and Lorraine Macaione.



Bunko players: Anna Costello, Brenda Johnson, Betty Rizzi and Caroline Dawson.



Mexican Train players: Virginia Gallaway, Mary Beth Russo, Linda Hargreaves and Linda Tucker



Serious Mah Jongg players (left) and at right: Denise Tucker, Joan Orlowsky, Ruth Scrimenti and Sylvia Fultz



Bridge players: Joanne Bandy, Lona Love, Sim Horst and Pat McRee



Euchre players: Betty Muscarella, Nancy Ruscitti and Pat Fluno



Game Day 50-50 winner Sylvia Fultz



Diane Hicks and her door prize



Lunch at Tuscowilla Country Club: Christine Walsh, Mary Lou Loew and Marcella Adams



Ann Denton, lucky door prize winner, with Game Day co-chair Brenda Jones.



Left to right: Ronnie Telzer, Jo-Ann Jaeger, Pat Brizel, Maureen McBride, Barbara Zeyn and Petrona Yonkova at Gatorland on November 5.

# GATORLAND



Jo-Ann Jaeger and Barbara Zeyn



Ronnie Telzer and Pat Brizel outside Gatorland



Jackie Jones with table mates, Linda Gallagher, Ronnie Telzer and Joan Hansen (seated)



Evelyn LaBruto won a free luncheon, and Susan Cross won the gift card to a Darden restaurant.



Jacqueline Jones flanked by Program VP's Joan Hansen (left) and Linda Gallagher (right).



Pat Fluno won the 50-50 prize of \$96.



Susan Cross with her guest, Brenda Womack, and her sister Cindy Spiro



Guest Jean Garnett with Gloria Irwin and Brenda Jones



Marcella Adams, guest Terry Poulos and Mary Thorne-Raff.



Inspirational message given by Janine Johnson



Guests Craig and James Gallaway next to member Virginia Gallaway, and Kat Carlisle, sister of Susan Murray



November birthday ladies are (left to right): Pat Biechele, Mary Thorne-Raff, Mary Ward, Marcella Adams, Vilma Hugh, Joan Hansen



Diane Hicks, Mary Ward, Rose Owens, Sharen Isham, Tina Parrish, Pat Pepler



Janet Angelin, JoAnne Bandy, Sharon DeRose, and Sim Horst

# NEWCOMERS of Central Florida, Inc.

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



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See the Chatter in color at [www.newcomerscfl.org](http://www.newcomerscfl.org)

## December 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1  MAH JONGG	2  HEATHROW TEA	3  STETSON MANSION/ BRIDGE	4  BOARD MEETING	5	6
7	8  MAH JONGG	9  HOOKED ON BOOKS	10	11  LUNCHEON	12  DEER RUN BUNKO	13  POT LUCK DINING
14	15  BUNKO MAH JONGG	16  CHRISTINE PORTER TEA	17  HAPPY HANUKKAH	18  BLACKJACK	19	20
21	22  MAH JONGG	23	24	25  Merry Christmas	26	27
28	29  MAH JONGG	30  CHICK FLICKS	31  HAPPY NEW YEAR			