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Issue 8

LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

January 15, 2015 **Heathrow County Club** 1200 Bridgewater Drive Heathrow, FL 32746 407-562-0172

Gather at 11:30 a.m.

Lunch at noon

How To Avoid Auto Insurance Nightmares

Do you have adequate auto liability insurance? Personal injury attorneys Deborah Gallagher Warner and John Edward Jones will discuss the basics of automobile insurance and the hazards of being underinsured.





They will focus on helping you understand and evaluate your existing auto insurance policy to make sure you and your family have adequate protection. They will also suggest the best steps to take if you are involved in an automobile accident, and how to handle everything from uninsured motorists to car fires and theft.

Deborah Gallagher Warner is Managing Partner at the Warner & Warner law firm in Casselberry. John Edward Jones is the founder of The Law Offices of John Edward Jones, P.A., with offices in Orange, Seminole and Lake County. Both Warner and Jones specialize in personal injury cases and trial litigation involving automobile accidents, nursing homes and medical malpractice. Deborah Warner, daughter of member Linda Gallagher and niece of member Louise Gallagher, previously addressed our group a few years ago on the subject of nursing home and elder care abuse. We're delighted to welcome her back again along with her colleague, John Edward Jones.

Directions to Heathrow Country Club: From the East on I-4, take exit 98 Lake Mary Blvd. Proceed on Lake Mary Blvd. West to the first traffic light, International Pkwy, turn right. After about one mile, take the second left onto Bridgewater Drive, the entrance to Heathrow (with the club's name inscribed on a stone wall).

UPCOMING EVENTS
February 19, 2015
Travel Expert Myrna Ossin on
"Packing Tips for Your Trips"
Tuscawilla Country Club
March 19, 2015
Penny Auction
Radisson UCF

January Menu

Mixed gourmet greens with dried cranberries, pecans, blue cheese and sherry vinaigrette

Assorted Rolls and Butter

Entrée Choice of: Grilled Salmon with Citrus Glaze Asiago Crusted Chicken Breast Dijon Crusted Pork Loin

Entrees served with fresh seasonal medley of vegetables, mashed Yukon Gold potatoes and roasted garlic

Dessert:

Chocolate turtle cake with raspberry sauce and fresh whipped cream

> 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 LUNCH-EON (JANUARY 11, 2015). ANYONE CANCELLING AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL REIM-BURSE THE CLUB. NO WALK-INS ALLOWED.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE





Our December luncheon was a spectacular success with the beautiful voices of the Sister Act singers, a lovely venue, and a delicious buffet at Timacuan Country Club. There were 86 women in attendance--and many were decked out with holiday pins, colorful scarves, and even a few snowflake sweaters! Everyone attending the luncheon received a surprise gift coordinated by our club's super shopper, Co-VP-Programs Linda Gallagher, who also donated five poinsettias as additional door prizes. Louise Gallagher, Joan Bové, Marquita Nelson, Diane Olivi and Pam Richards were among the many board members who arrived

early to help with the set-up. The country club's dining room looked magnificent, and the decor and gift baskets added to the festive spirit. I was also very happy to see Joan Bové back at our luncheon after a long recovery from surgery. Plus we were all delighted to hear Gloria Irwin's heart-felt rendition of "I'll Be Home for Christmas." Thank you, Gloria, for singing a truly memorable Inspiration that brought tears to our eyes.

At the luncheon, Karen Jacobs from Outreach was on hand to collect monetary donations to purchase holiday gifts for the Safe House of Seminole. Thanks to the generosity of our members and their friends from two local Bingo groups, we were able to collect over \$1,650 to purchase gifts for the residents of Safe House. The day after the luncheon, a team of Newcomers club elves assembled at Target in Sanford at 9 a.m. to make as many dreams come true as possible. By noon, the job was done-the gifts were delivered, and the elves celebrated with a lunch at Red Robin.

Speaking of meals, the high tea at Heathrow in early December was wonderful and elegant. Thank you to Tracy Pappafotis for inviting us to attend, and Louise Gallagher for handling the arrangements. The Stetson Mansion tour was another highlight of the holiday season. Both Tracy and Louise deserve our thanks for continuing to come up with such an incredible variety of "Inside the Arts" events all over the Central Florida area. Please note that advance reservations at many of our events are necessary. If you have to cancel, please be courteous and give adequate notice so others can have an opportunity to attend in your place. Next up will be *Tables Extraordinaire* in Maitland. Check the *Chatter* for more details. Also thanks to Christine Porter for graciously volunteering to host another fabulous holiday high tea at her home on December 16.

I hope that this holiday season will be a happy time for all of you, and an opportunity to catch up with friends and family. My daughter (an only child) will be coming home from Los Angeles for the first time in a year--and bringing the new guy in her life--a sweet puppy! What more could I ask for? Well, I could hope for world peace--or at least some peace in my household when my two cats meet a dog for the first time! I wish you all peace, joy, friendship and love for this holiday season and throughout the new year.—Ronnie Telzer

Notice of Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws of Newcomers of Central Florida, Inc. Please note that all current club members will receive a copy of Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws to be voted upon at the January 15, 2015 Newcomers' luncheon and business meeting at Heathrow Country Club. These amendment changes are being proposed to clarify the By-Laws and to reflect current practice. The Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws can be viewed on-line on our web site (www.newcomerscfl.org), and will also be e-mailed to members with e-mail addresses. All others will receive copies of the Proposed Amendments to the By-Laws by mail.

WINNERS AT THE NOVEMBER LUNCHEON

Free luncheon: Pat Fluno \$10 Publix gift card: Marge Ahearn 50/50 jackpot of \$82: Carolyn Dawson

BOARD MEETING Thursday, January 8, 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.



Barbara Wiseman was born and raised in Yonkers, New York. She worked at an insurance agency in New York before moving to Florida 25

years ago. She is the former owner of several Amoco gas stations in the Central Florida area.

Barbara joined Newcomers in 2007, and has co-chaired Inside the Arts and Reservations. She modeled in two Newcomers fashion shows and will serve as co-chair (with Pam Richards) of this year's Fashion Show in April.

She enjoys playing Mah Jongg, and lives in Winter Springs with her fiancé, Paul Watson, and their adorable dog, Lily. Barbara has one daughter and two grandchildren. She is currently awaiting the birth of her first great-grandchild, a boy, who is due to arrive in late December.



Linda Smith is originally from Wichita, Kansas and lived in Omaha, Nebraska and Austin, Texas before moving to

the Orlando area in 1987.

She and her husband, Greg, celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary in November. Linda's daughter got married last August and lives in Seattle. Her son and daughter-in-law reside in Dallas with her 18-monthold granddaughter, whom she adores.

Her interests include antiques, home decorating and travel. Linda plays Bunko and Bingo regularly, and is also a member of a book club and a Bible study group. She has worked at home as a medical transcriptionist for the past 21 years and enjoys the flexible schedule it allows. Linda has been a member of Newcomers since 2008, and plans to help with decorating at our April Fashion Show. She looks forward to becoming more involved in club activities after she retires.



MEMBERSHIP CHAIR Joan Gray 407-677-5447

We now have 223 members. Please add our newest member to your directory.

Cynthia Wilson 407-286-6873 2230 Saw Palmetto Lane, Apt. 109 Cell: 513-400-7024 Orlando, FL 32828 scarlett3699@yahoo.com

Address and phone change:

Lynne Snowden 352-742-0103
2211 Orkney Drive Cell: 407-405-7757
Leesburg, FL 34788 lynnesnowden3@gmail.com

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/1	Barbara Moore
1/2	Linda Hargreaves
1/4	Beulah Ali-Carr
1/6	Nancy Scalice
1/12	Rosemary Kubanet
1/14	Pat McRee
1/14	Kathleen Parsons
1/17	Jo-Ann Jaeger
1/18	Judy Babine
1/19	Georgeann Clemons
1/23	Barbara Rustigian
1/23	Christine Walsh
1/25	Jeanie Hudnall
1/27	Terry Becker
1/27	Cyndee Schaub
1/30	Solly Haber



CORRESPONDENCE

Sharon Shulman

Ann Denton 407-831-7720

Edenton5@cfl.rr.com

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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.

Thank you note sent to David DeAssis,
Director of Operations, Timacuan Country Club
New member welcome packets sent to Kathleen
Carlisle and Barbara Dwyer
Get well cards sent to Martha Cirrotti, Ilene Colwill,
Eileen Guesman and Edith Smith
Thinking of you card sent to Mary Thorne-Raff

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.

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2014	-2015 OFFICERS						
President	Ronnie Telzer	407-365-1580					
VP Programs	Linda Gallagher	407-359-1893					
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	Rosemary Kubanet	407-702-2384					
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 	Brenda Johnson	321-765-4031					
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	Marquita Nelson	407-977-4851					
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	Martha Cirrotti	407-963-5546					
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	Mary Beth Russo	407-388-1250					
Ways & Means	Pam Richards	321-804-5111					
Website	Pat Fluno	407-998-1037					
SPECIAL	INTEREST GROUP	S					
Bingo/ 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 lacovazzi	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					





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

Ways & Means Pam Richards 321-804-5111

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Gift Basket Raffle in December!



February Gift Exchange

Our next event will be a Gift Exchange at the February Luncheon. This will be similar to the one we had in August. Participation is optional. If you'd like to take part, bring \$3 in one-dollar bills for the Ways & Means jar, along with a new, wrapped gift worth \$10. Also, please remember to enclose a signed note with a greeting. Everyone who brings a gift will take home a gift--so let's make this event an exciting and enjoyable experience!

International Dining Névine Snyder 407-381-4408 Solly Haber 321-972-5521

Friday, February 13, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.



Reservations are for 20 guests only so please call Névine Snyder at 407-381-4408 or Solly Haber at 321-972-5521 if you would like to attend. Separate checks.

Chat & Chew Névine Snyder 407-381-4408 Friday, January 9, 2015 at 11:30 a.m.



Unlimited Lunch Buffet \$6.99 excluding drinks & tip Jandaia's Brazilian Buffet & Bar 4270 Aloma Ave. #100, Winter Park, FL 32792 (321) 295-7788 www.Jandaias.com

Contact Névine Snyder to sign up to attend.

OUTREACH

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

By the time you read this, the Newcomers elves will have completed shopping for the kids of Safe House! Once again, your generosity has been overwhelming! Please start thinking ahead to January, when it starts getting colder. We are collecting underwear, t-shirts and socks for ALL genders and ages to help Woodbury Food Pantry! If you'd rather not shop, we will be passing our Food Pantry bear for monetary donations. Bring everything to the January luncheon. Also, keep collecting and bringing aluminum can tabs, personal hygiene items, and coupons! Many thanks!

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 porterage 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 I Miami 2 At Sea	Arrive	Depart 7:00 P.M.
	9:00 A.M.	6:00 P.M.
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		
I I 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.

Pleased be advised: if 20 or more people are not signed up for the cruise by January 31, this fundraiser activity for Newcomers will be cancelled.

For more information, please contact: Joan Lenard (407-671-8454) JLenard1@aol.com Or Solly Haber (321-972-5521) sollyhaber@aol.com.



POT LUCK DINING

Joan Bove 407-971-3911 Saturday, January 3, 2015 6:30 p.m.



Our hosts will be Edith and Charles Schulman 375 Deer Pointe Circle Casselberry, FL 32707 407-699-6061

PLEASE...No calls before 12/28/14 for 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



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

Thursday Bunko

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

Dicey Bunkettes 11:00 a.m.

2nd Friday Deer Run Country Club

Lona Love 407-977-0046

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



HOOKED ON BOOKS

Joan Bové 407-971-3911

Tuesday, January 13, 2015 at 1 p.m. Oviedo Mall Food Court (South end)

January: Leaving Time by Jodi Picoult February: Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand

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.

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 Sim Horst 407-359-1228 407-678-2961 patmcree@bellsouth.net skhorst@embargmail.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.

BLACKJACK GROUP

January 30, 2015

Time: 11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Orlando, Florida 32826



Please bring snacks to share at the home of: Névine Snyder 14784 Burntwood Circle

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



CHRISTMAS FOR SAFE HOUSE



(Left to right) Elves from Outreach included Teri Gilbert, Betty Tines, Karen Jacobs, Linda Gallagher, Ronnie Telzer and Marquita Nelson. All of these gifts were purchased at Target in Sanford and donated to the Safe House of Seminole.



Newcomers elves posed with the gifts delivered to Safe House of Seminole County. Representatives from Safe House are also pictured.

pot Luck Dining



December pot luck hosts Brenda and Robert Johnson



Greg Kolojeski, Paul Watson, Barb Higgins, Jerry Higgins and Barbara Wiseman enjoy pot luck dinner.



Sally and Peter Campfield, Névine Snyder and Mike Frazier at pot luck.



Linda and John Gallagher with Betty and Joe Little at pot luck.



Rae Vigilante and Joan Bové at pot luck



Ladies attending High Tea at Heathrow are (left to right) Linda Gallagher, Brenda Jones, Pat Brizel, Ronnie Telzer, and Teri Gilbert





Dru Juhl, Virginia Gallaway, Diane Arserio and Lorraine Macaione also attended.



Joann Skoropowski in a big hat with manager Richard and Diane Hicks



Barbara Zeyn (left) donned a huge red hat!

Joan Lenard and Roberta Valania (right)



LUNCHEON AT TIMACUAN COUNTRY CLUB





Sister Act Sweet Adelines
Barbershop Quartet The
performers (left to right) included: tenor Susan
Densmore, bass Gail Essner,
lead Kathy Fisher and baritone Christine Garrott. Susan
and Kathy are actual sisters.
The others consider themselves "sisters in song."



December birthday ladies standing left to right: Linda Gallagher, Margie Rick, Rosemary Sprau, Barbara Higgins. Seated: Sharon Frumkin, Barbara Miles and Dawn Sumrall.



Pam Richards selling tickets for the basket raffle



Karen Jacobs, Outreach co-chair (wearing a candy cane headband), gratefully receives a cash donation for Safe House of Seminole from Brenda Jones, who collected \$820 from two local Bingo groups.



Lucky member Dru Juhl won two gift baskets in the Ways & Means Raffle.



Waiting for the buffet: Brenda Johnson, Jean Garnett, Linda Selby and Linda Hargreaves



Guest Judy Converso had her eye on this basket and won it.



Two ladies with sparkle blouses: T. Kay White and Lorrie



Attendees included (seated left to right): Marge Ahearn, Mary Jane Godfrey, Jenny Iacovazzi, Betty Rizzi. (Standing left to right): Betty Tines, Linda Tucker, Charlotte Becker and Ann Denton

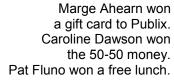
Gloria Irwin sang the Inspiration and is thanked by President Ronnie Telzer.



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Roberta Valania won a basket almost as big as she was.

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Linda Tucker and Linda Gallagher both won gift bags.



President Ronnie Telzer with her guest Yvonne David



Susan Morrow with her guest Lorene McCall



Judy Converso was a guest of Mary Beth Russo.



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

See the Chatter in color at www.newcomerscfl.org

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25	26 MAH JONGG	27 CHICK FLICKS	28 LADIES BRIDGE	29	30 ELACKJACK	31			