



EXPLORE LOCAL FLORIDA LEGENDS WITH HISTORY WRITER JOY WALLACE DICKINSON



Our March 16 luncheon will focus on Central Florida's fascinating past with a presentation by Joy Wallace Dickinson. Joy has written hundreds of "Florida Flashback" columns in the *Orlando Sentinel* since 2000. She will discuss legends and stories about the "City Beautiful" in its evolution from wild frontier town to the

iconic tourist destination it is today. There will also be time for audience questions at the conclusion of the program, so be sure to make your reservations and join us for the first time at a new luncheon venue, Sanford Patio Grill.

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 March 9, the Thursday before the luncheon. Anyone who cancels after the deadline will reimburse the club. No walk-ins allowed.

LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING March 16, 2023

Sanford Patio Grill
2900 South Orlando Drive
Sanford, FL 32773

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

MARCH MENU

ENTRÉE CHOICE

Pot Roast

Served with Mashed Potatoes

or

Tilapia: Blackened, Grilled or Fried

Served with Rice

or

Smothered Chicken

with Sauteed Onions, Mushrooms and Cheddar Cheese

Served with Mashed Potatoes

SIDES

Salad

Vegetable

Rolls and Butter

DESSERT

Cake

BEVERAGES

Choice of Non-Alcoholic Beverage

LUNCHEON COST: \$25

Directions to Sanford Patio Grill:

2900 South Orlando Drive
Sanford, FL 32773

From FL-417 Toll north toward Sanford:

- Take exit 50 for US-17/US-92 (Orlando Dr.)
- Turn left onto US-17/US-92 (Orlando Dr.)
- Turn right just past AAMCO Transmissions and then left into the parking lot for Patio Grill.

From SR-434:

- Turn North onto US-17/US-92 (Orlando Dr.)
- Continue straight on US-17/US-92 for about 3.7 mi.
- Make a U-turn at W 27th St./Florida St.
- Turn right just past AAMCO Transmissions and then left into the parking lot for Patio Grill.





Hello Ladies,

As I've mentioned in previous messages, the Board is now working to finalize your Newcomers' leadership slate for the upcoming year which begins in June. I urge you to consider becoming part of our leadership team. Whether you would like to dip a toe in the water by chairing a single event or are ready to accept a major position on our executive board, your club needs you!

We still have openings for VP-Programs and VP-Luncheons. We also have openings for chairpersons for single events like our annual Fashion Show. Experienced board members are willing to share their expertise and work alongside you to offer their help and support. In addition, you are welcome to form a committee to assist you in carrying out the duties of the position so you don't have to "go it alone."

If you and a friend have suggestions for different programs, luncheon venues or fundraisers, this is an excellent time to step up together to bring your ideas to fruition.

If you're not quite ready to tackle a VP or Chair position, but would like to learn more, I recommend contacting the existing VP or Chair in a position that interests you to see how you might be able to work with them. This will provide an opportunity for you to see if a role is one you would like to take on in the future.

Your club is only as strong as its leadership team and its members, so I encourage you to consider how you can get involved. And I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has given so generously of their time in the past and to thank all of you who have supported us!



Sue

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



- April 20 Fashion Show
Orlando Hilton – Altamonte Springs
- May 16 Installation of Officers
Heathrow Country Club

LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS



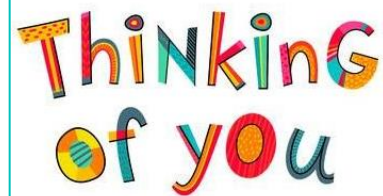
Waitlist: If you miss the Thursday luncheon deadline and want to attend, you may call to be added to a waitlist.

Cancellations: If you are unable to attend the luncheon, please call to cancel your reservation. Remember, payment is due if you're unable to attend and no one takes your place.



Please call Paula Ritchie at 407-222-5205 to cancel or to be put on a waitlist.

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 vanum77@aol.com or text/call her at 813-395-3611.

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.

Please continue collecting the pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House and bring them to the next luncheon.





MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Brenda Jones 407-435-3026

Current Membership: 125

Please add these members in your newest directory:

New Members

Sandie Blount

4117 Fairview Vista #204 Orlando, FL 32804
Home: 407-822-1061 Cell: 407-865-2329
Email: sandiebblount@gmail.com
Birthday: Mar 27 Originally from: Alabama

Sheryl Bialo (Robert Johnson)

25962 High Hampton Circle Sorrento, FL 32776
Cell: 404-272-3333 Email: sherylbialo@gmail.com
Birthday: Oct 4 Originally from: New Rochelle, NY

Theresa Davie

633 Greencove Terr # 143 Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
Cell: 407-682-3720 Email: tdavie11@cfl.rr.com
Birthday: Jan 9 Originally from: NY

Pauline Anderson

2081 Judith Place Longwood, FL 32779
Home: 407-333-0473 Email: panderson4185@bellsouth.net
Birthday: Mar 15 Originally from: England

Susan Herring

3 Escondido Circle # 18 Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
Cell: 407-461-4429 Email: cygubas@gmail.com
Birthday: Mar 29 Originally from: NY

Jennie Garrick

635-109 Red Oak Circle #109 Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
Cell: 407-739-1748 Email: igtravelinbabu@aol.com
Birthday: July 21 Originally from: Missouri

Christine Lewis (David)

1549 Corkery Ct. Winter Springs, FL 32708
Cell: 407-340-7300 Email: clewis07@cfl.rr.com
Birthday: Jan 4 Originally from: Albany, NY

Shirley Scofield

777 Andover Circle Winter Springs, FL 32708
Cell: 407-782-3363 Email: sscofield2015@gmail.com
Birthday: Nov 16 Originally from: Huntsville, AL

Mary Burrows

1020 E Pebble Beach Circle Winter Springs, FL 32708
Cell: 407-463-5058 Email: mjgolfer0@gmail.com
Birthday: July 12 Originally from: Buenos Aires, Argentina

March Birthdays



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|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 2 Lona Love | 20 Bunny Hayden |
| 5 Maryellen McCullagh | 21 Diane Arserio |
| 7 Linda Selby | 27 Sandie Blount |
| 8 Diana Engling | 29 Susan Herring |
| 8 Evelyn LaBruto | 29 Brenda H. Jones |
| 11 Maria Clonch | 30 Helen Hoppmann |
| 15 Pauline Anderson | 31 Sherry McFarland |

CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420



PLEASE NOTE: Chick Flicks is NOT meeting in March.



COOKING CLUB

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611

Mouthwatering aromas filled Vicki Nidzgorski's home for our February meeting featuring "Variations of the Blue Plate Special." We were transported back to the neighborhood diner as we sampled sage/applesauce and microwave meatloaves, scalloped sweet potatoes, green veggies, potato stacks and two kinds of brownies.

On March 9, we will bring back last November's theme of Encore! Encore! with recipes from previous NCF cookbooks. (This themed event was canceled due to Tropical Storm Nicole.) Our hostess will be Dru Juhl. Due to limited parking, carpooling is strongly recommended.

To participate in March, text/email/phone Vicki with two recipes from previous NCF cookbooks that you are willing to prepare. If you need previous NCF cookbooks to peruse, let Vicki know. She will let you know which recipe has been chosen for you to prepare to avoid duplicates. Ensure your participation by emailing or texting the recipe to Vicki by Thursday, March 2. Come to Cooking Club on March 9 with your prepared dish, a serving utensil if needed, and your printed recipe PDF that will be emailed to you. New members are welcome to check us out—especially if you enjoy trying new recipes, good conversation and laughter. Participation is on a first-come basis, limited to 12 participants.





WAYS & MEANS

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

Thank you to everyone who participated in our February 16 Jewelry Auction and Sale at Heathrow Country Club. Whether you were a donor or a buyer (or both), your contributions helped make this fundraiser a sterling success. We hope you enjoyed shopping with Newcomers and were able to bring home some special baubles and beads.

The event raised a grand total of \$1,000 to benefit Newcomers' Ways & Means, which helps support club operations. The highest priced item that sold at the auction was a Pandora Disney Parks Mickey Mouse charm necklace donated by Vicki Nidzgorski. It sold for \$83. Tina Parrish was the club member who bought the most merchandise, followed by Linda Gallagher. Paula Ritchie's merchandise donations brought in the most money, followed closely by Vicki Nidzgorski's donations. Forty-three silent auction items sold for a total of \$753.

The flat-rate table sales also contributed to the bottom-line. The \$1 table brought in \$21, the \$3 table generated \$75, and the \$5 table garnered sales of \$151. Thank you to our table monitors and floaters. And a special thank you goes to Outreach Chair Barbara Tuson, who hauled away a variety of unsold items and donated them to a local charity thrift store.



INSIDE THE ARTS

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

Last Event of the Year!
Wednesday, April 12, 2 p.m.

What: Kinky Boots

Where: Orlando Shakes Theater

Cost: \$45, only 10 seats reserved

Dinner Following: The Greek Corner, 1600 N. Orange Ave.

Registration Deadline: Thursday, March 16 luncheon



This huge-hearted, smash-hit – with 16 original songs by Cyndi Lauper – is the winner of every Best Musical award, including the Tony, Grammy, and London's Olivier award. Based on the book by Harvey Fierstein, a fierce drag

queen and a struggling factory owner must embrace their differences and work together on an outlandish new idea to save the owner's shoe business – producing a line of stunning stiletto heels. Don't miss this over-the-top extravaganza!

Sign up at the March 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.

REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH



Outreach Chair: Barbara Tuson
barbara@tuson.us

At our March luncheon we will be collecting personal care items for Seniors First Birthday Bags. The bags are given to each senior with their Meals on Wheels delivery to help them celebrate their birthday. Below you will find the list of requested items. If there is a bountiful collection, we will also donate some of the products to Safe House of Seminole.

Thank you again for your generosity.

For more information on Seniors First, you may visit their website at <https://www.seniorsfirstinc.org/who-we-are/>.

For more information on Safe House of Seminole, you may visit their website at <https://www.safehouseofseminole.org/>.

BIRTHDAY BAG WISH LIST



- Men's Razors
- Men's Shaving Cream
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Body Wash
- Body Lotion
- Body Powder
- Kleenex
- Playing Cards
- Small Notebooks

Spring Game Day

MARCH 30, 2023

See page 5 for details.



HOOKED ON BOOKS

Carol Smith 407-618-3478

Faith Bass Hill is fighting a losing battle with Alzheimer's but hasn't told anyone. She believes that she received a message from the Almighty to rid herself of her possessions, hence the title of our book *Faith Bass Hill's Last Garage Sale* by Lynda Rutledge. While the novel was not the humorous book we expected, it generated a lot of discussion about the role possessions played in the lives of the characters and how they affected their relationships.

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 March when we will be discussing a book about Hedy Lamarr, *The Only Woman in the Room* by Marie Benedict. For more details, please see page 6.



Spring Game Day

When: Thursday, March 30, 2023

Where: Redeemer Lutheran Church
3377 Aloma Ave.
Winter Park, FL 32792

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Cost: \$30 (checks made out to: Newcomers of Central FL, Inc.)

Includes: Lunch (Catered by Olive Garden), Drinks (Tea/Water), Door Prizes, and 50/50.

Reservation Deadline: Call your individual game chair give her your \$30 by
Thursday, March 23

Games



Bunko: Diana Engling (407) 256-3592

Bridge: Sue Horn (303) 807-4088

Euchre: Mary Ward (407) 222-4446

Mah-Jongg: Brenda Jones (407) 435-3026

Mexican Train: Linda Hargreaves (407) 227-3828

Or: Get your playing partners (4-6) together to play a game of your choosing. Contact Diana Engling to let her know what game and how many will be playing so that a table to accommodate your group will be made available.



NEWCOMERS
of Central Florida, Inc.

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

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



MONDAYS

MAH JONGG

PLEASE NOTE NEW CONTACT

Brenda Jones 407-435-3026

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: March 14 at 1:30 p.m.

Where: Dunkin'

3551 Dovera Dr., Oviedo

MAR *The Only Woman in the Room*
by Marie Benedict

APR *Still Life* by Louise Penny

MAY *The Dictionary of Lost Words*
by Pip Williams

JUNE *Tomorrow, and Tomorrow,*
and Tomorrow: A Novel
by Gabrielle Zevin

CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

tfuston@aol.com

When: **NO MEETING IN MARCH**

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 **March 16.**

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: 2nd Thursday - March 9
12 p.m.

Where: Dru Juhl

551 Majestic Way
Altamonte Springs 32714

Theme: Encore! Encore!

Limit: 12 participants

RSVP to Vicki by Thursday,
March 2 at 813-395-3611

Recipe must be submitted by Thursday,
March 2, to Vicki Nidzgorski at
vanum77@aol.com.

FRIDAYS

DICEY BUNKETTES

PLEASE NOTE NEW CONTACT

Diana Engling

englingd@yahoo.com

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 Diana, 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 303-807-4088.

**See pictures from
our February
events on our
Facebook page or
our website.**



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