



IT'S GIFT CARD BINGO TIME

The next time you yell out "Bingo," you can add "Grazie Italia" since the beloved game is descended from the Italian lottery which has been played since 1530. The game later became popular with the French aristocracy who called it "Le Lotto" before reaching the United Kingdom, Germany and the U.S. In 1929, a New York toy salesman, Edwin S. Lowe, came across the game being played at a fair in Jacksonville, Florida. He decided to produce it as a boxed game called "Beano" since beans were used to mark the numbers on the cards. Legend has it that a friend of Lowe's apparently got so excited upon winning a game that she yelled out "Bingo" instead of "Beano," and the name stuck. So ladies, let's get excited, warm up our Bingo voices and win some fabulous gift cards at our August luncheon. Remember to bring \$3 (exact change preferred) for your Bingo card or \$5 for two cards.



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 Toni 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 Toni Thoms 217-620-7745

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 pre-arrange payment for guests.

Reservations must be received by 5 p.m. on August 8, the Thursday before the luncheon. Anyone who cancels after the deadline will reimburse the club. No walk-ins allowed.

LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING August 15, 2024

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs
350 S. Northlake Blvd.
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
Gather at 11:30 a.m. Lunch at Noon

AUGUST MENU

ENTRÉE

Pan-Roasted Chicken Breast
with Chardonnay Cream Sauce

SIDES

Hilton House Salad:
Mixed Greens Topped with Pear Tomatoes
and Bermuda Onions,
Peppercorn Ranch or
Balsamic Vinaigrette Dressing
Chef's Choice of Potatoes
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
House Bread and Butter

DESSERT

Newcomers' Cake

BEVERAGES

Regular and Decaf Coffee
Iced and Hot Tea

LUNCHEON COST: \$30

[Vegan Option Available Upon Request](#)

Directions to Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs

350 S. 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, take SR 436 to Northlake Blvd. Turn left onto Northlake Blvd., go about 1/2 mile and see the Hilton on your right.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings, Ladies,

I hope this newsletter finds you well, and you are enjoying your summer. It doesn't seem possible that it's already August! Today I was looking at our upcoming events, and I'm excited about how

our plans for the rest of the year are shaping up. Your Board is enthusiastically working on events ranging from plays at the Winter Park Playhouse to Game Day and much, much more. Our Inside the Arts team has even managed to score tickets to the Orlando Shakes' production of the Broadway sensation *Cabaret*. Reserve your spot soon as tickets are limited for some of these offerings.

The list of Newcomers' activities continues to grow with the addition of our newest Interest Group. Some of our ladies were talking at the luncheon and mentioned that they would like to play Mexican Train. Ann White offered to organize the group. The ladies agreed on a day, time and location, and now we have a Mexican Train group. (See page 4 for all of the details.) That's how easy it is to get a new group started.

Your key to all the information on all of our activities is our monthly newsletter. You will find all of our upcoming events in the newsletter, which is masterly managed by Carol Smith. This month's kudos go to Carol for all of the time, energy and patience she spends coordinating our newsletters. Please take a minute to check out our upcoming events, and I'll see you there!



Sue

LUNCHEON CANCELLATION AND WAITLIST

Waitlist: If you miss the Thursday luncheon deadline and want to attend, you may call [Paula Ritchie](#) to be added to the waitlist.



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



Call [Paula Ritchie at 407-222-5205](#) to cancel or to be put on a waitlist.



HELPING HANDS

Co-Chairs: Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420
Toni Thoms 217-620-7745

Trisha and Toni are available to assist you 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.

UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

September 19 Penny Auction
Heathrow Country Club

October 17 Monster Mash
with singers John and Theresa Segers



August Birthdays

- 3 Joan Orlowsky
- 6 Patti Campbell
- 10 Dru Juhl
- 11 Anita Fogtman
- 14 Robin Roskowski
- 17 Shannon McDaniel
- 19 Trisha Fuston
- 23 Tina Parrish
- 27 Regina Barker
- 28 Pat Pepler
- 30 Pat Cregar



MEMBERSHIP

Chair: Diana Engling
407-256-3592
englingd@yahoo.com



Current Membership: 84

Renewals are due by July 31.

Please submit your \$25 payment immediately with the signed application form for your information to be included in our next Membership Directory.

Please add these members in your newest directory:

New Members

Robin Roskowski
1547 Bullbush Way
Cell: 407-595-4474
Birthdate: Aug 14

Oviedo, FL 32765
Email: RobinatRNS@aol.com
Originally from: New Jersey

Beverly Weinberg
607 N Indigo Rd.
Cell: 407-461-7882
Birthdate: Apr 19

Altamonte Springs, FL 32714
Email: misspatches44@gmail.com
Originally from: St. Petersburg, FL

Mary Jo Saras
102 Wheatland Ct.
Cell: 321-230-8229
Birthdate: Nov 17

Longwood, FL 32779
Email: ourthreejoes@yahoo.com
Originally from: Long Island, NY



We had two winners at our July luncheon. Pat Neal won \$89 in the 50/50 drawing and Carolyn Williams won the free luncheon. Congratulations, ladies!

INSIDE THE ARTS



Ronnie Telzer (407) 577-7401
Linda Gallagher (407) 592-9573

September and October Events

If you signed up for the *Snapshots* matinee September 20 at the Winter Park Playhouse or the Bradlee-McIntyre historic house tour in Longwood on October 23, you will receive a list of participants who are also attending. Then you can arrange your own carpools. Both events are currently full—but feel free to email Ronnie or Linda to place your name on a waiting list.



Wednesday, November 20, 2024

For November, we plan to visit the Festival of Trees at the Orlando Museum of Art. Details will be announced in a future issue. The time/date (to be confirmed) will be senior day—November 20.

Wednesday, February 24, 2025



Orlando Shakes' big musical of the year will be *Cabaret*. We have 18 tickets available in Row K for the senior matinee on Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 2 p.m. Cabaret

transports audiences to the Kit Kat Club in Berlin in the 1920s and focuses on the colorful, gritty and hedonistic characters found there. The show, with music by John Kander and lyrics by Fred Ebb, is filled with iconic songs and electrifying dance numbers.

Make checks payable to Ronnie Telzer and sign up at the August or September luncheon, or mail your payment to Ronnie Telzer, 660 Saranac Drive, Winter Springs, FL 32708. Price is \$33. The early RSVP date was set by the Shakes to secure our seats for this popular show. Tickets may sell out before the September 30 deadline—so please reserve ASAP if you plan to attend.

Winter Park Playhouse Matinee Performance

Friday, January 24, 2025

The Bikinis

Friday, March 14, 2025

Gigolo

(the new Cole Porter revue)

Preview shows will be priced at \$23. Check future issues of the *Chatter* for sign-up information.



MEXICAN TRAIN

Coordinator: Ann White 407-687-4902
auntesther27@yahoo.com

Friday, September 20

At the July luncheon, some of the ladies expressed an interest in playing Mexican Train, but there was no one to organize a group. Ann White stepped up and said she would be willing to be the chairperson, and thus a new interest group was formed. After some further discussion, they decided the best time to get together to play would be the Friday after the monthly luncheon. The group will meet at 11 a.m. at Carrabba's in Winter Springs. The ladies will take a lunch break at around 12:30 p.m. with each lady paying for her own lunch. If you are interested in joining the group to play Mexican Train, please call Ann White and leave her a message. She will get back with you. For more details, please see page 5.



ADVENTURE AWAITS

Coordinator: Pat Neal 407-461-8789
pneal11@earthlink.net

We have enjoyed several adventurous events in the past months—everything from putt-putt golf to dining on the *Rivership Barbra Lee* for the lunch cruise. Since many members travel and visit family and friends during the summer months, we will be taking a break for the next few months. We will explore a new adventure in October. So stay tuned for more information to come!

Happy Trails,
Pat

REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH



Outreach Chair: Barbara Tuson
barbara@tuson.us



At our July meeting, we collected a huge number of back-to-school supplies as well as \$125 in cash which will be used to purchase additional supplies. Thanks to your generosity, I will be delivering six large boxes full of supplies to A Gift For Teaching.

In October at our luncheon, we will be collecting non-perishable food to donate to Second Harvest for the holiday season.

Thank you again for your generosity!





SPICE GIRLS

Vicki Nidzgorski

813-395-3611

vanum77@aol.com

Our July meeting found us at Carol Smith's. She set such a cute table with beach toys and Cracker Jack boxes for our summer theme of Make Ahead recipes. We sampled Make Ahead 6 Layer Salad with lettuce, pasta and chicken, Cowboy Caviar that included avocado, Freezer Bag Chicken and Broccoli, Make Ahead Potato Casserole and Chicken Tinga. Brenda shared with us that "Tinga" means torn or shredded. Desserts took us over the top with Raspberry Cream Pie, garnished perfectly by Christine with raspberries and chocolate, and Lemon Dump Cake.

On August 8, you will find us gathered at Barbara Tuson's home. We are keeping with a summer theme, "Let's Flamingle with Appetizers and Desserts." Barbara likes to really do things up, so we can expect to be fully "flamingoed." Let's wear pink in keeping with the theme.

To participate in August, please submit two recipes that fit our theme, to Vicki by email or text. She will let you know which recipe has been chosen for you to prepare. Recipes must be submitted by email or text to Vicki by Thursday, August 1. Please be aware we may reach our maximum participation number prior to this deadline. Recipes may be submitted to Vicki after the Newcomers monthly luncheon on July 18.

Come to Spice Girls on August 8 with your prepared dish, a serving utensil if needed, and your printed recipe PDF that will be emailed to you. Please bring a disposable dish if you would like to take home any of the leftovers. If you enjoy trying new recipes, sampling new foods, laughter and fun, please consider joining us! Participation is limited to 12 this month. Stay Spicy everyone!



CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

Tuesday, August 27

CALL or TEXT Trisha at 407-789-9420 to RSVP

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. We will meet at the Regal Oviedo Mall Movie Theater box office area 15 to 20 minutes before the movie's starting time. If you have any questions, please feel free to call or text Trisha directly at the number listed above. See you at the movies!

Please RSVP so that Trisha has a head count for BJ's Restaurant.

CROCHET/KNITTING CLUB

Paula Ritchie 407-222-5205

psritchie@gmail.com



On hold until further notice

The Crochet and Knitting Club will be taking a break over the summer. Watch the *Chatter* to see when the group will resume.



HOOKED ON BOOKS

Carol Smith 407-618-3478

smith4cr@gmail.com

In July, our book *Looking for Salvation at the Dairy Queen* by Susan Gregg Gilmore took us back to the early 1970's in Ringgold, Georgia. And club member Mary Beth Moss took us back to our childhood with Dilly Bars from our neighborhood DQ. Many of us could relate to the character Catherine Grace and her desire to leave her small town for something bigger and better. A good book discussion, reliving memories, and Dilly Bars made for a perfect afternoon with friends.

In August, we will be reading the twisty comedy-meets-murder mystery *Listen for the Lie* by Amy Tintera. Hooked on Books is a delightful place to make friends and have intriguing book discussions over coffee and donuts. To join us, contact Carol Smith to be added to the email list. For more details, please see page 5.

Renewal Deadline July 31



Don't forget to get your signed 2024-2025 Membership application and \$25 dues turned in to Membership Chair Diana Engling by July 31.

If you have any questions, please contact Diana at 407-256-3592 or englingd@yahoo.com

Please Help Our Corresponding Secretary



Corresponding Secretary Maryellen McCullagh requests your help. Please contact Maryellen 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 Maryellen is made aware of them. You can text her at 407-461-0362 or contact her by email at

MMMRNQLTMKR@aol.com.

WALKING CLUB



Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420 tfuston@aol.com

On hold for August and September

The Walking Club will be taking a summer break to escape the heat. Watch the *Chatter* to see when the group will resume.

**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****Brenda Jones 407-435-3026**

When: Mondays

11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Where: Tremont in Oviedo

Bring lunch, a beverage and \$5 in change.

TUESDAYS**HOOKED ON BOOKS****Carol Smith 407-618-3478**smith4cr@gmail.comWhen: 2nd Tuesday – August 13

1:30 p.m.

Where: Dunkin'

3551 Doversa Dr., Oviedo

AUG *Listen for the Lie* by Amy TinteraSEPT *The Women* by Kristin HannahOCT *So Big* by Edna FerberNOV *Remarkably Bright Creatures*
by Shelby Van PeltDEC *This Year It Will Be Different*
by Maeve Binchy**CHICK FLICKS****Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420**

When: Tuesday, August 27

Where: Regal Oviedo Mall Movie Theater

**TO RSVP: Call or text Trisha
at 407-789-9420**Members will receive an email to inform
them of the movie title and meeting time
the weekend before the screening.**CHATTER** articles are
due by **August 16.**Please email articles
to Carol Smith at
smith4cr@gmail.com**WEDNESDAYS****LADIES BRIDGE – 4th Wednesday****Sue Horn 303-807-4088**When: 4th Wednesday

10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Where: Macaroni Grill

7123 Red Bug Lake Rd.

Oviedo, FL 32765

Anyone interested in playing should
contact Sue Horn at the number above.**THURSDAYS****BOARD MEETING****Sue Horn 303-807-4088**swfhorn@aol.comWhen: 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.

SPICE GIRLS**Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611**When: 2nd Thursday – August 8

12 noon

Where: Barb Tuson

4916 Darden Avenue

Orlando 32812

Theme: Let's Flamingle
with Appetizers and Desserts

Limit: 12 participants

RSVP to Vicki by **Thursday,****August 1,** at 813-395-3611Recipe must be submitted by **Thursday,****August 1,** to Vicki Nidzgorski at[vanum77@aol.com](mailto:v anum77@aol.com).**See pictures from our
July events on our
Facebook page
or our website.**www.newcomerscfl.org[https://www.facebook.com/Newcomers
ofCentralFloridaInc](https://www.facebook.com/NewcomersofCentralFloridaInc)**FRIDAYS****MEXICAN TRAIN****Ann White 407-687-4902**auntesther27@yahoo.com**First Meeting: September 20**When: 3rd Friday of the month

11 a.m.

Where: Carrabba's Restaurant

5820 Red Bug Lake Rd.

Winter Springs, FL 32708

Lunch: Break for lunch around 12:30 –

Pay for your own lunch.

If you are interested in joining the
group, please call Ann and leave a
message. She will return your call.**DICEY BUNKETTES****Diana Engling**englingd@yahoo.comWhen: 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****Mary Ward 407-222-4446**maryward@bellsouth.netWhen: 3rd Saturday at 6 p.m.

Where: Hosted by participants

Each couple brings an appetizer to
share. The host couple will provide soft
drinks and dessert.**SUNDAYS****WALKING CLUB****Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420****On hold for July and August**