



Please join us at *The Wedding Barn* in Oviedo on May 15 as our new and returning officers say "I do" to the various responsibilities of their positions. At the May installation, they will *commit* to making our future club events and activities enjoyable, interesting and sometimes challenging. Our Newcomers club will continue to afford opportunities to make new friends and enrich existing friendships. Like any good partnership, the board officers, our committee chairs and member volunteers work together to make our club a success. As a fun social activity, let's bring in our wedding photos - we'll even have a prize for worst bridesmaid or flower girl outfit. Brisket BBQ will set out a delicious lunch buffet, and we will have our customary 50/50 and free lunch drawings. We'll also *honor* the contributions of our club's past presidents. Let us all *celebrate good times* as we welcome our Newcomers board at the May installation event.

All members call  
Paula Ritchie at 407-222-5205  
to make May luncheon reservations.

The preferred payment method is by check.

### 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. Paula 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-Z Call Paula Ritchie 407-222-5205**

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 **May 8, the Thursday before the luncheon**. Anyone who cancels after the deadline will reimburse the club. No walk-ins allowed.

## LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

May 15

The Wedding Barn

346 East Franklin Street, Oviedo 32765

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

## May Menu

CATERED BY  
BRISKETS BBQ SHACK & GRILL

### ENTRÉE CHOICE

Beef Brisket

or

Smoked Chicken Quarters

### SIDES

Garden Salad Bar

Country Green Beans with Bacon

Southern Potato Salad

### DESSERT

Banana Pudding

### BEVERAGES

Iced Tea, Coffee and Hot Water (BYO Teabag)

LUNCHEON COST: \$30 - Checks are preferred.



### Directions to

### The Wedding Barn

346 East Franklin Street  
Oviedo, FL 32765

From Red Bug Lake Rd./Mitchell Hammock

- Turn **north** onto S. Central Ave. (FL-434) and proceed about 1.3 miles.
- Turn right onto E. Franklin St.
- At the traffic circle, take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit onto N. County Rd. 426.
- Turn right onto E. Franklin St.
- In 300 feet, turn right.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Ladies,

This will be my last Chatter article as your President, and I want to take a moment to share with you what an honor it has been to play a role in the leadership of this organization. You are an incredible group of ladies! You have been positive, supportive, and enthusiastic about our activities and friendships that impact us all. When we needed help with an event, you were there to assist. Many of you don't want to chair a committee, but you are happy to help set up baskets at the auction, attend luncheons, invite friends to Game Day, cook a menu item for cooking club, or otherwise participate in our activities. Keep up that positive involvement that creates our comradery!

To the members of our Executive Board who form the leadership group of our women's club: thank you, thank you, thank you! Your commitment and tireless work make all of our meetings and events look like they are running like a well-oiled clock. You are enthusiastic and creative as we look for new and different activities while repeating some old favorites.

Finally, thank you to all our new and returning Board members who are willing to contribute their time to keep Newcomers of Central Florida one of the premier women's clubs in the area! I look forward to continuing to work with all of you going forward.



*Sue*

## LUNCHEON RESERVATION INFORMATION

**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.



## UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

**June 19** International Cuisine  
Heathrow Country Club

**July 17** Western Theme  
UCF Doubletree

## EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTION

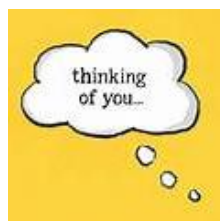
### 2025-2026 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President	Ellen Bronikowski
1st VP Programs	Robin Roskowski Sue Horn
2nd VP Luncheons	Loraine Nelson
3rd VP Membership	Ann White Michele Marino
Recording Secretary	Patti Zedo
Corresponding Secretary	Maryellen McCullagh
Treasurer	Helen Hoppmann
Parliamentarian	Christine Shapin



## LUNCHEON WINNERS

The 50-50 jackpot went over \$100 which means that two lucky winners split the prize. Joan Orlofsky and Tania Kline each won \$63 in the 50-50 drawing. Carol Smith was the recipient of the free luncheon certificate.



## HELP NEEDED

Corresponding Secretary  
Maryellen McCullagh  
Text: 407-461-0362

Secretary Maryellen McCullagh requests your help. Please text 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 recognized if Maryellen is made aware of them. You can text her at 407-461-0362.

## HELPING HANDS

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



Need help at a Newcomers' luncheon? Please give Trisha or Toni a phone call and let them know how they may assist you.



## May Birthdays

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|-----------------|----------------|
| 4 Mary Maberry  | 15 Luz Bowman  |
| 4 Maureen Smith | 15 Barb Tuson  |
| 5 Diane Olivi   | 26 Betty Rizzi |
| 12 Linda Tucker |                |

### MEMBERSHIP

Interim Chair: Brenda Jones  
407-435-3026 [bjones47@cfl.rr.com](mailto:bjones47@cfl.rr.com)

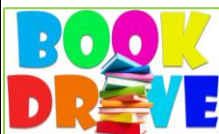


**Current Membership 119**

### REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH



Chair: Barbara Tuson [barbara@tuson.us](mailto:barbara@tuson.us)



I was overwhelmed by your response to our March book drive for A Gift for Teaching. A total of 308 books were donated, eclipsing last year's count by 76. Putting books in the hands of children is a gift you can be proud of. Thank you!



I want to thank Newcomers for their generous donation to Libby's Legacy. Cash donations combined with the proceeds from Game Day to bring the amount of our contribution to \$325. They expressed their gratitude for our support when I delivered the check to their office.

The mission of Libby's Legacy Breast Cancer Foundation is to provide comprehensive services to the underserved through education, mammograms, and patient navigation on the journey from diagnosis to survivorship with the compassion to ensure no one fights alone. For more information, see their website at <https://libbyslegacy.org>



In August we will be collecting school supplies to help A Gift For Teaching supply students with the necessary tools to have a successful school experience. Keep your eyes open for sales.

Thank you again for your support of our Outreach projects. You are a fantastic group of caring, kind individuals!!

Barb

### INSIDE THE ARTS

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



We're starting our summer hiatus soon but will be back with a new lineup of shows and experiences starting August 8 with *Jerry's Girls* (featuring the music of Jerry Herman). Tickets for this 2 p.m. preview matinee will be available for sale in June. We have reserved 18 seats. (The production will be at the Orlando Shakes Mandell Theater while the Winter Park Playhouse undergoes extensive renovations.) Our May 9 show, *Route 66*, will still be at the Winter Park Playhouse — with dinner after the 2 p.m. matinee at Cheesecake Factory in Winter Park.

We welcome your ideas for other arts-related experiences for our new membership year and thank you for your participation and interest in Inside the Arts.



### BINGO

Tina Parrish 757-777-6861  
[parrish407@bellsouth.net](mailto:parrish407@bellsouth.net)



Our new Bingo group will have its initial meeting on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at Carrabba's on Red Bug Lake Road in Winter Springs. Plan to meet for lunch (pay for yourself) at noon and play Bingo at 1 p.m. Please bring a wrapped gift with a \$15 value and \$5 to play.

To RSVP, please call Tina Parrish at 757-777-6861 or email Tina at [parrish407@bellsouth.net](mailto:parrish407@bellsouth.net).



### MAH JONGG

Brenda Jones 407-435-3026

**NEW LOCATION and TIME!**

Starting Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup> Mah Jongg will be played at the Townhouse Restaurant located in Oviedo at 139 N. Central Ave. Our new time is from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. We will be purchasing lunch at the restaurant, so please plan accordingly. Also, don't forget to bring your 2025 game card and \$5 in change.

### LADIES BRIDGE

Sue Horn 303-807-4088

**NEW LOCATION!**



Ladies Bridge will be meeting at Carrabba's on Red Bug Lake Road in Winter Springs. The group will continue to meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month.



### HOOKED ON BOOKS

Carol Smith 407-618-3478  
[smith4cr@gmail.com](mailto:smith4cr@gmail.com)

*Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman was described as a “clever, quirky, humane bank heist” by Karyll Shaw at our April meeting. In our discussion, we delved into the statement made by the author that “this book is about a lot of things, but mostly about idiots.” It was agreed that the writer cleverly disguised the identity of the bank robber while providing a great study of the peculiar characters.

In May, we will be reading a memoir, *Wavewalker: Breaking Free* by Suzanne Heywood. Hooked on Books is a delightful place to make friends and have intriguing book discussions over coffee and donuts. To join us in April, contact Carol Smith to be added to the email list. For more details, please see page 5.

### MEXICAN TRAIN

Coordinator: JoAnn Bill  
407-921-9991 [jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com)



#### New Coordinator

JoAnn Bill is the new coordinator for Mexican Train. Our group will continue to meet at Carrabba's in Winter Springs on the third Friday of the month at 11 a.m. Our next meeting will be on May 16. If you would like to play Mexican Train, please RSVP to JoAnn Bill by Friday, May 9 by emailing JoAnn at [jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com). For more details, please see page 5.



### CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

**Tuesday, May 20**

**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 selected movie and the meeting time on the weekend before the Tuesday movie. We will meet at the Regal Oviedo Mall Movie Theater box office area 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 by phone or text so that Trisha has a head count for BJ's Restaurant.



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

### SPICE GIRLS

Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611  
[vanum77@aol.com](mailto:vanum77@aol.com)



Spice Girls is blessed with such great hostesses! Helen made it look effortless when she hosted us this month for our theme, Earth Day. Some members had fun with the theme submitting recipes for Bark and an Earthquake Cake. Others stretched themselves using “new to them” ingredients such as miso paste, chia seeds, quinoa and coconut milk. All agreed, Chia Seed Pudding tasted best with whip cream, lol. We sampled roasted chickpeas and roasted radishes, yum! The stuffed tomatoes and Orange Quinoa Salad with Pomegranate were the most colorful. Look for our photos on the Newcomers website.

On May 8, you will find us at the home of Karyll Shaw, with the theme Run for the Roses/Kentucky Derby. This is a Dress Up theme, wear your finest hat creation. Karyll promises a hat contest! Recipes should be all things Kentucky Derby from Hot Browns and beyond.



To participate in May, please submit two new recipes that you have never prepared before, to Vicki by email or text, Monday through Friday, after the Newcomers Monthly Luncheon on April 17. She will let you know which recipe works best with the existing recipes submitted. Recipes/RSVPs must be submitted by email or text to Vicki by May 1. Please be aware we may reach our maximum participation number prior to May 1. Participation is limited to 10.

Come to our Spice Girls meeting on May 8, wearing your Derby hat creation, 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! Stay Spicy everyone!

### WALKING CLUB

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420  
[tfuston@aol.com](mailto:tfuston@aol.com)



Please join me for a nice walk around the water at Cranes Roost Park in Altamonte Springs. The distance around the lake is about one mile. We will meet by Café Murano, and parking is available by the AMC Movie Theater.

We will meet on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. We will not be walking on May18 or 25. See page 5 for all of the details.



## MONDAYS

### MAH JONGG NEW LOCATION! NEW TIME!

**Brenda Jones 407-435-3026**

When: Mondays

11:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Where: The Townhouse Restaurant  
139 N. Central Ave., Oviedo, FL

Bring \$5 in change and your 2025 card.

We will be purchasing lunch at the restaurant, so please plan accordingly.

## TUESDAYS

### BINGO

**Tina Parrish 757-777-6861**  
[parrish407@bellsouth.net](mailto:parrish407@bellsouth.net)



When: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday – May 6

Lunch at 12 noon (pay for yourself)  
followed by Bingo at 1 p.m.

Where: Carrabba's Restaurant  
5820 Red Bug Lake Rd.  
Winter Springs, FL 32708

Bring \$5 to play and a wrapped gift  
with a \$15 value.

RSVP to Tina at 757-777-6861 or via  
email: [parrish407@bellsouth.net](mailto:parrish407@bellsouth.net)

### HOOKED ON BOOKS

**Carol Smith 407-618-3478**  
[smith4cr@gmail.com](mailto:smith4cr@gmail.com)

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday – May 13  
1:30 p.m.

Where: Dunkin'  
3551 Dovera Dr., Oviedo

MAY *Wavewalker: Breaking Free*  
by Suzanne Heywood

JUNE *How to Solve Your Own Murder*  
by Kristien Perrin

JUL *The Wedding People*  
by Alison Espach

### CHICK FLICKS

**Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420**

When: Tuesday, May 20

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.

## WEDNESDAYS

### LADIES BRIDGE NEW LOCATION! (4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday)

**Sue Horn 303-807-4088**

When: 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Where: Carrabba's Restaurant  
5820 Red Bug Lake Rd.  
Winter Springs, FL 32708

Anyone interested in playing should  
contact Sue Horn at the number above.

## THURSDAYS

### BOARD MEETING

**Sue Horn 303-807-4088**  
[swfhorn@aol.com](mailto:swfhorn@aol.com)

When: 1<sup>st</sup> 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: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – May 8  
12 noon

Where: Karyll Shaw  
9445 Brownwood Ct  
Oviedo 32765

Theme: Run for the Roses –  
Kentucky Derby

Limit: 10 participants

RSVP to Vicki by **Thursday,**  
**May 1,** at 813-395-3611

Recipe must be submitted by **Thursday,**  
**May 1,** to Vicki Nidzgorski at  
[vanum77@aol.com](mailto:vanum77@aol.com).



CHATTER Articles

Due **May 16**

Please email articles to  
Carol Smith at

[smith4cr@gmail.com](mailto:smith4cr@gmail.com)

See pictures from our April  
events on our Facebook page  
or our website.

[www.newcomerscfl.org](http://www.newcomerscfl.org)

[https://www.facebook.com/Newcomers  
ofCentralFloridaInc](https://www.facebook.com/NewcomersofCentralFloridaInc)



## NEWCOMERS of Central Florida, Inc.



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

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

## FRIDAYS

### MEXICAN TRAIN

**JoAnn Bill 407-921-9991**  
[jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com)

When: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – May 16  
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.

RSVP to JoAnn by **Friday, May 9** at  
[jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com)

### DICEY BUNKETTES

**Maryellen McCullagh**  
**407-461-0362**

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

## SATURDAYS

### COUPLES BUNKO

**Mary Ward 407-222-4446**  
[maryward@bellsouth.net](mailto:maryward@bellsouth.net)

When: 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

Call Trisha to RSVP

When: 10:30 a.m.

Sundays (except for May 18 or 25)

Where: Cranes Roost Park

Meet by Café Murano

Parking: By AMC Movie Theater