



## Let's Line Dance

Put on your best western attire, dancing shoes or cowgirl boots and join the roundup on the dance floor with instruction from country-western line dance expert Lynn Telzer (club member Ronnie's daughter). Beginners are welcome--no prior dance experience is necessary.

Lynn will demonstrate the moves you need to excel on the dance floor or just have fun exploring one of today's most popular leisure activities. You can eat to the beat of some good ole country tunes and then join the line of ladies for what promises to be a toe-tapping good time at the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs.



### LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS

**Reservations must be received by 5 p.m. on August 14, the Thursday before the luncheon. No walk-ins allowed.**

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 or Belinda 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-K Paula Ritchie 407-222-5205**

**L-Z Belinda Wadas 847-421-4233**

While you may pay by cash, the PREFERRED PAYMENT METHOD IS BY CHECK. Please make out checks in advance to Newcomers of Central Florida, Inc. Payments for guests need to be pre-arranged.

### LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING

**August 21, 2025**

Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs  
350 S. Northlake Blvd.  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

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

## August Menu

### Entrée

Chicken Breast Maria  
Boneless Breast of Chicken on a Bed of Marinara,  
Topped with Sun-dried Tomatoes, Fresh Basil and Feta  
Vegetarian Option Available Upon Request

### SIDES

Caesar Salad  
Chef's Choice of Accompaniments

### DESSERT

Italian Cannoli Cake  
Yellow Cake Filled and Iced with Cream Cheese Icing and  
Chocolate Chips, Served with a Cannoli on Top

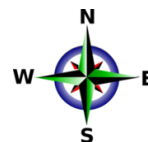
### BEVERAGES

Regular and Decaf Coffee  
Iced and Hot Tea

**LUNCHEON COST: \$30 Checks are preferred.**

### 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 the Hilton will be on your right.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello lovely ladies!

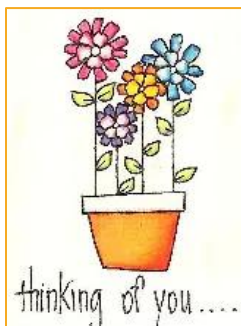
It's August — Ugh! Truth be told, August is my least favorite month here in Florida. It's brutally hot and rains every day which really puts a damper on walking, swimming and other outdoor activities. Last year, I spent the month of August at Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, which was a welcome respite.

This year, however, I'm so happy I'll be around for our August country line-dancing program which should prove to be a "boot-scootin' hip-swingin' blast." We'll be able to shake our booties in the air-conditioned comfort of the Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs and have a delicious lunch to boot (pun intended).

Regardless of the luncheon theme, it's always wonderful to get together and socialize with our Newcomers sisters. In addition to the outings offered by Inside the Arts, we have game, movie, cooking and reading-related activities happening all week. We have also been blessed with the creative, industrious and diligent members who have joined our board this year. We have so much fun to look forward to.

So, for now, goodbye August woes and hello "Cotton-Eyed Joes." Yee Haw!

Ellen



## HELP NEEDED

Corresponding Secretary  
Maryellen McCullagh  
Text: 407-461-0362

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.

## UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

September 18

Penny Auction  
Heathrow Country Club

October 16

Brain Freeze – Addicted to Sugar  
The Wedding Barn

November 20

Holiday Basket Auction  
Hilton Orlando/Altamonte Springs



It is with great sadness we report the passing of Nancy Rocco. She will be fondly remembered for the role she played in our Newcomers Club and for the place she holds in our hearts.

In accordance with our bylaws, a donation of \$25 has been made to the St. Augustine Deaf Club.



## AUGUST LUNCHEON WINNERS

Pam Feldman and Carolyn Williams shared the 50-50 jackpot of \$106.

Jean Desany was the recipient of the free luncheon certificate. The full-card Bingo jackpot of \$135 was shared by two lucky winners: Catherine Eversley and Virginia Ponder.

## LUNCHEON POLICY

### Cancellations:

If you are unable to attend the luncheon, please call **Paula Ritchie** as soon as possible to cancel your reservation. Remember, payment is owed if you are unable to attend, and no one takes your place.

### Waitlist:

If you miss the Thursday luncheon deadline, you may call **Paula Ritchie** to be added to the waitlist.





## August Birthdays

- 3 Joan Orlowsky
- 6 Patti Campbell
- 10 Dru Juhl
- 11 Anita Fogtman
- 14 Robin Roskowski
- 17 Pam Feldman
- 17 Shannon McDaniel
- 19 Trisha Fuston
- 23 Tina Parrish
- 28 Pat Peppler
- 29 Kitty Price
- 30 Pat Cregar



## MEMBERSHIP



Co-Chairs:

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**Current Membership 128**

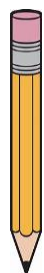
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## REACHING OUT WITH OUTREACH

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

You have amazed me again! I want to send my heartiest thank you to my fellow Newcomers. While organizing the school supplies for delivery to A Gift For Teaching, I recognized the importance of sharing the impressive donation totals with everyone. Below is a breakdown of the 1,804 items that were contributed:



744 pencils	91 mechanical pencils
262 pens	56 packs of colored pencils
100 pencil-top erasers	76 packs of crayons
78 spiral notebooks	41 composition books
31 notebooks	64 packs of filler paper
12 binders	54 folders
9 rulers	28 bottles of glue
66 glue sticks	44 pairs of scissors
34 pencil bags	14 backpacks

As a former educator, I am confident that these supplies will contribute to students' academic success.

I would also like to express my appreciation for your ongoing efforts in collecting pop tops for the Ronald McDonald House. This week, I delivered eight and a half pounds of tabs to them. Again, thank you!

## INSIDE THE ARTS

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



Check with Ronnie or Linda for last-minute ticket availability for two upcoming shows presented by the Winter Park Playhouse at the Orlando Shakes' Mandell Theater. Tickets for each preview matinee are \$23. Note: we will deposit your checks closer to the actual show dates.

**Friday, August 8, 2 p.m.**

*Jerry's Girls* is a musical revue that celebrates the songs of composer Jerry Herman. The show includes Broadway hits written for female performers from such shows as *Mame*, *Hello Dolly* and *La Cage aux Folles*. We will dine at Bar Louie in Winter Park Village after the show.



**Friday, September 26, 2 p.m.**

*Forever Plaid* pays homage to the close-harmony guy groups of the 1950s. The Plaids dreamt of becoming stars but never got the chance. They return from the afterlife for a shot at stardom and perform hit songs like "Heart & Soul," "Rags to Riches," "Three Coins in the Fountain," and "Love Is a Many Splendored Thing." We will dine at Olive Garden in Winter Park after the show.



## BINGO GROUP

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

Our new Bingo group will be meeting on the first Tuesday of the month 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. Our next meeting will be on August 5.

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

**It's never too early  
to save the date!**

Newcomers' next Game Day  
will be Friday, January 30, 2026.







## HOOKED ON BOOKS

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

Our July book, *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach, drew reactions ranging from “people in need of therapy” and “nobody spoke the truth” to “it gets better.” Christine Shapin helped us to see how the characters grew and matured as the novel progressed.

In August, we will switch genres to read Ina Garten’s memoir, *Be Ready When the Luck Happens*. 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.

## MEXICAN TRAIN

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



Why Join Mexican Train?

No Waiting List to Play!

No Cost Except Lunch!

No Experience Necessary!

If you would like to learn the game before playing with the group, contact the group coordinator JoAnn Bill. Our group meets at Carrabba's in Winter Springs on the third Friday of the month at 11 a.m. For more details, please see page 5.

Please note that the August 15 meeting  
is the Friday before the Newcomers luncheon.



## CHICK FLICKS

Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420

Tuesday, August 26

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.

Pull together

# POP TABS



Make a difference

## SPICE GIRLS

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



In July, Our hostesses, Debbie Browning and Jean Wilson did a fabulous job with their theme of Christmas in July, starting at the front door and porch all decked out for Christmas. Our group photograph was taken beside their Christmas tree, with all participants dressed in festive holiday attire. We ate and drank with Christmas ware. We feasted on Christmas tree rolls, lobster thermidor, red and green salad, red and green tortellini skewers and Christmas pinwheel cookies, to name a few of our dishes. Debbie and Jean gifted us with a Christmas spatula and custom-made Spice Girls Christmas ornament. Please see our photos on the website.

Vicki announced that in September, member Debbie Browning will assume the duties of Spice Girls coordinator. Debbie will do a great job! Our group is so much fun!

Several of our members are also in the Hooked on Books club which will be reading Ina Garten's memoir, *Be Ready When the Luck Happens*, in August. It was suggested to carry that theme to Spice Girls. So for August, our theme will be Ina Garten Recipes, hosted by Michele Marino. We need all categories: appetizers, salads, sides, entrées and desserts. It might be fun to dress in Ina's signature denim shirt, lol.

To participate in August, please submit two recipes that you have not previously made to Vicki via email or text, Monday through Friday. She will let you know which recipe works best with the other submitted recipes. Recipes/RSVPs must be submitted by email or text to Vicki by August 7. Please be aware we may reach our maximum participation number prior to August 7. Participation is limited to 12.

Come to our Spice Girls meeting on August 14 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)



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.

Please continue collecting pop tabs  
and bring them to the next luncheon.



## MONDAYS

### MAH JONGG

**Brenda Jones 407-435-3026**

When: Mondays

11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

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

Bring \$5 in change and your 2025 card.

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

## TUESDAYS

### BINGO GROUP

**Tina Parrish 757-777-6861**

[parrish407@bellsouth.net](mailto:parrish407@bellsouth.net)

When: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday – August 5

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 – August 12  
1:30 p.m.

Where: Dunkin'  
3551 Dovera Dr., Oviedo

AUG *Be Ready When the Luck Happens*  
by Ina Garten

SEP *A Passage to India*  
by E.M. Forster

OCT *The Queens of Crime*  
by Marie Benedict

### CHICK FLICKS

**Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420**

When: Tuesday, August 26

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

**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

**Ellen Bronikowski 732-259-2342**

[ellenbronikowski@gmail.com](mailto:ellenbronikowski@gmail.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 Ellen Bronikowski.

### SPICE GIRLS

**Vicki Nidzgorski 813-395-3611**

When: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – August 14  
12 noon

Where: Michele Marino  
409 Park Lake Dr.  
Winter Springs 32708

Theme: Ina Garten Recipes

Limit: 12 participants

Submit recipes and RSVP to Vicki  
by **Thursday, August 7**  
at 813-395-3611  
or [vanum77@aol.com](mailto:vanum77@aol.com).



### Newsletter Deadline August 16

Please email Chatter  
articles/information  
to Carol Smith at  
[smith4cr@gmail.com](mailto:smith4cr@gmail.com)

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

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

<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

### 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.

### MEXICAN TRAIN

**JoAnn Bill 407-921-9991**

[jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com)

When: 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – August 15, 11 a.m.

**Please note that this is the Friday  
before the Newcomers luncheon.**

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, August 8** at  
[jobill1949@gmail.com](mailto:jobill1949@gmail.com)

## SATURDAYS

### COUPLES BUNGO

**Mary Ward 407-222-4446**

[maryward@bellsouth.net](mailto:maryward@bellsouth.net)

When: 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 6 p.m.

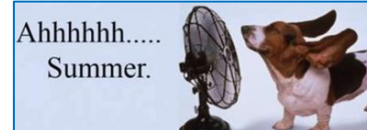
Where: Hosted by participants  
Each couple brings an appetizer to  
share. The host couple will provide  
soft drinks and dessert.

## SUNDAYS

### WALKING CLUB

**Trisha Fuston 407-789-9420**

**On hold for August**





## August 2025 Newcomers' Events at a Glance\*



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4 Mah Jongg	5 Bingo	6	7 Board Meeting	8 Dicey Bunkettes  Inside the Arts – Jerry's Girls	9
10	11 Mah Jongg	12 Hooked on Books	13	14 Spice Girls	15 Mexican Train	16 Couples Bunko  Deadline for Chatter Info
17	18 Mah Jongg	19	20	21 Luncheon	22	23
24	25 Mah Jongg	26 Chick Flicks	27 Ladies Bridge	28	29	30
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\*Event Details are in the *Chatter*