

# Nevada County Newcomers Club

October 2016

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## President's Message

Happy Fall everyone! Soon it will be time for:

*Funny faces, tall black hats,  
Horns and ghosts and witches' cats.  
We have many good things to eat  
With boys at the door saying "Trick or treat!"*

*~Julia Ann Anderson*

Don't miss out on the October luncheon; it is always a fun event. It sells out quickly, so get your checks in today for yourself and a friend. Costumes are optional, but those who dress up could win a prize!

This luncheon is the major fundraiser for our annual Christmas Families Project. Our Live Auction will feature the very entertaining auctioneer, John Renwick, who puts on a fabulous show. Thanks so much to everyone who worked incredibly hard all year putting together so many wonderful bid packages for us. And, there will be lots of treasures in our Silent Auction.

Getting involved in the Christmas Families Project (CFP) is a heart-warming way to start the holidays. We need volunteers for shopping and wrapping. Give just a few hours of your time and receive the joy of giving - and - a lot of laughs. Contact the CFP Chair for more information. (See page six for more about CFP.)

We welcomed several amazing women at our New Member Reception. If you see someone you don't know at our luncheons or activities, please help them feel at home. Making new friends is what we are all about.

Please contact me if you have suggestions about how we can make our club better.

*Nancy Morehouse*

## October Luncheon Meeting & Annual Auctions

**October 26, 2016**  
**Alta Sierra Country Club**

**Cost: \$20.00 per person** (Please note the new price.)

**Doors Open at 10:00 am**  
**Silent Auction Bidding begins at 10:30 am**  
**Luncheon Meeting at 11:30 am**  
**Live Auction at 1:00 pm**

## October Luncheon Menu

Choice of:

Seared Center Cut Pork Loin with sun dried cranberry demi-glacé  
and house-made spicy applesauce

or

Basil Seared Chicken Breast with a sun dried tomato cream sauce

or

Herbed Cheese Polenta Stackers with lentils, corn crusted tomatoes,  
tarragon cream and Manchego cheese

All entrées will include house-made soup du jour,  
bread and butter, coffee and tea

Pumpkin Pie for dessert

**To Make Reservations for October 26, please make your \$20.00 check** payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** and mail it to the Reservation Chair for October.

Checks must be received by **Monday, October 17**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm, **Tuesday, October 18**. Please write **Oct-Pork, Oct-Chicken, or Oct-Veg** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, October 18, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation Chair for October

## Treasures at the Live Auction

The Newcomers Annual Live and Silent Auctions are almost here! These exciting events support our Christmas Families Project, and we want to make Christmas special for as many children as possible. Last year we supported 131 children. That's over a 60% increase from the previous year! With your generosity, let's increase that number. Remember, the auction is open to the public, so invite your friends. John Renwick, owner of RE/MAX Performance, will return as our entertaining auctioneer. Take a look at the list of items to be auctioned off to see what interests you. Remember; bring your checkbooks!

One night's stay at Atlantis plus a \$50 gift certificate

Two-hour design consultation, a \$50 gift certificate to Moule's Paint and a \$25 gift certificate to Grande Wood

Medical Facial Peel by Dr. Selene

House Maintenance Package which includes house cleaning and window washing

Gift cards for cooking classes or merchandise at Tess' Kitchen, plus a one-month membership in their Vintner Club

Pet Package with gift certificates from River Dogs and Wild Birds Unlimited, plus treats, toys, bird feeders and suet

Rounds of golf for 4, plus accessories

"Happy Harvest" handcrafted wall hanging

CATS theater tickets for 2 and a \$100 gift certificate to Taste of Thai

Decorative pot and a gift certificate to High Hand Nursery

Giclée 3' x 2' photo of Red Lake by Allan Berman

Cheese making classes for 2 at Wheyward Girl plus 2 bottles of wine and cheese

Beauty Package from Reflections Salon & Spa

Sierra Stages theater tickets for 2, and a \$75 gift certificate to Sergio's Caffé

One hour of entertainment by Beaucoup Chapeaux

One night's stay at Two Room Inn, plus a \$50 gift certificate to Bistro 221

Outdoor Maintenance Package which includes yard cleanup, roof and gutter cleaning and pest spraying

One night's stay at Broad Street Inn, InConcert Sierra tickets for 2, and a \$100 gift certificate to Lefty's Grill

3-night stay at a house in Santa Cruz

A Taste of Grass Valley and Nevada City with gift certificates to Lefty's Grill, Tofanelli's Gold Country Bistro, Maria's or Kane's, Trattoria Milano and New Moon Café

TLC for your auto, which includes a car wash, car care kit, brake and lube jobs and car detailing

Tim the Tree Man

Legacy Productions tickets for 2 and a \$100 gift certificate to Lefty's Grill

## Your Guide to the Silent Auction

Our October Auction is just around the corner, and our team is getting everything organized. We have a few donated items already but are in need of MANY MORE. Last year, our donations were the best ever...let's make this another stellar year for our community and for the many families who need our help. Your generosity is such a blessing to everyone!

We need new or gently used items – no clothing please! Remember, variety is the spice of life! To make it easy to register your item, our Newsletter Team included a bid form for donated items on the back of this newsletter. You can print it (white paper only please) to have your registration form ready. Fill out your name, item description and value...our team fills in the rest.

On auction day, there will be tables in the center rear of the dining room with volunteers to help complete this process.

If you are selling an item, you need to obtain a green bid form on the day of the auction from the registration table by the bar. There is a \$3 registration fee and a two-item limit per member for seller proceeds.

If you have any questions, concerns or ideas, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact your Silent Auction co-chairs. Thank you!

**Our biggest fundraiser of the year is recruiting a few good women to be new co-chairs for the 2017 Live and Silent Auctions.** Now is the perfect time to get in on the action! New volunteers bring fresh new ideas and energy to the event. **Please consider volunteering and shadowing the current co-chairs to get on-the-job training** at this year's event. You can watch, learn, and participate behind the scenes with our 2016-team members. Each of you has unique talents and gifts to share! Our Christmas Families Program and our community benefit from your generosity, time and talents.

The current co-chairs have had a BLAST running the auctions. Now it's time for them to pass the baton...who's going to run with it next year?

Please contact **Live Auction** co-chairs or **Silent Auction** co-chairs for more information. Thank you!

## **Table Reservation Policy for the December Luncheon**

Back by popular demand is the option to make a table reservation for your group for the December Christmas Luncheon. Here is the information on how to make a group reservation. If you have questions, contact the Reservation Chair for December.

You may reserve a table for a group of two to eight people. If there are less than eight in your party, your table will be completed with other attendees to make a full table of eight. There are three ways for you to make table reservations for yourself or for a group.

- 1) The Head Person for your group collects all the checks (made out to Newcomers Club in the correct amount) and lists what each person wants for lunch either on the lower left hand corner of each check or on a group list. Or,
- 2) The Head Person for your group may write one check for everyone in the group and provide a list of attendees along with their individual lunch requests.

**Note:** If someone must cancel from a reserved table, it will be up to the Head Person to substitute and collect money accordingly. If this happens prior to the cancellation date, the Head Person will also need to advise the Reservation Chair for December so that the nametag can be corrected. After the cancellation date, there will not be a refund, and substitutes will have to take the "originally" ordered lunch choice.

3) If you wish to make a single reservation, submit your check made out to Newcomers Club and write your luncheon choice on the bottom of your check. You will be welcomed by our Reservations Team at the Luncheon and given a seat that has been pre-assigned to you.

**Please note:**

1. All attendees will have assigned seating.
2. **Only ONE (1) Guest per member.**
3. You may create a group from two to eight people for this event.
4. For tables with less than eight people, your table will be completed with other members.
5. Please paperclip your group's checks together and place in an envelope, OR the Head Person may write one check for the entire group, noting luncheon choices for each individual.
6. Please ensure that each person's meal is noted on the check(s) or on your list of tablemates.

## **December Luncheon Meeting**

**December 7, 2016 at 11:30 am  
Alta Sierra Country Club**

**Cost: \$25.00 per person**

### **December Program: Bear River Jazz Choir**

The unique Bear River High School Jazz Choir is ready for some traditional Christmas songs and untraditional jazz fun. We'll also have a special guest speaker, a recipient of our Christmas Families Project. Join your friends and get into the holiday spirit!

### **December Luncheon Menu**

Choice of:

Baked Salmon with a whole grain honey mustard glaze, served over rice  
or

Tri-tip London Broil marinated, charbroiled, and roasted  
with a mushroom Bordelaise sauce

or

Portabella Eggplant Napoleons, stacked with fresh Parmesan cheese, tomatoes, and basil; topped with marinara and Alfredo sauces; and served with a creamy herbed risotto

All entrées will include a romaine and spinach salad with bacon, peaches, Roma tomatoes and feta cheese with warm ginger vinaigrette  
bread and butter, coffee and tea

Chocolate Pear Williams Torte with poached pears, chocolate mousse  
and ganache for dessert

**To make reservations for December 7, please make your \$25.00 check payable to NEWCOMERS CLUB and as table “Captain” provide a list of those you wish at your table along with their food choices and drop in the Check Box at the October Luncheon or mail the above information with your \$25.00 checks to the Reservation Chair for December.**

Checks must be received by **Monday, November 21**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm, **Tuesday, November 22**. Please write **Dec-Salmon, Dec-Beef, or Dec-Veg** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, November 22, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call Reservation Chair for December.

## **Christmas Families Project**

Our fantastic Christmas Families Program will launch November 1, 2016. Depending upon the outcome of the auction, we hope to extend the program beyond what we were able to provide last year when we supported 131 children and 54 families. Our program gives assistance to families who are working, in school to develop skills, or in a temporary economic situation such as illness, and have no funds for Christmas. We also support approximately 25% of over 200 foster children in Nevada County. Families are screened, and foster children are identified by our agencies. We then receive a profile for each child that includes his or her "wish list." Newcomers members shop for our “adopted children”; each present is wrapped and delivered to the agencies. While our program is focused on the children, we make sure that each family member has a dental package, and our Donated Items Group develops cosmetic bags for moms and personal packages for dads and/or grandparents. You can make a difference in a child's life, if only for just one Christmas. Come join the fun and volunteer for this wonderful cause.

If you would like to volunteer to shop for gifts, wrap gifts, or donate supplemental items for the adults, contact the chairs listed in your Newsletter.

## **More Program Highlights – Mark Your Calendars!**

**Jan 25, 2017** – In 1991, three weather fronts simultaneously hit the East Coast, catching fishermen and boaters in desperate situations. *The Perfect Storm*, starring George Clooney, described the storm and dire straits of mariners. Nevada County’s own Claude Hessel, a Coast Guard helicopter pilot, will relate his participation in the heroic rescue that night, followed by a National Geographic film of the event. You are welcome to bring husbands or friends.

**Feb 22, 2017** – Chris Enns, a New York Times Best Selling author and well-known local writer and performer, is returning to the Newcomers stage with tales of women of the old west from her latest book, *Ma Barker & Other Tales of the Women in the West*. Books will be for sale before and after the meeting.

**Mar 24, 2017** – Come to an old-fashioned dance and burlesque show, *Bow-Tie Beauties* (the semi-risqué version). Haven Carvelli, an accomplished dancer, and her troupe will perform excerpts from a show they did at the Miner’s Foundry.

Apr 27, 2017 – Newcomers Club Annual Fashion Show

## **Fashion Show Volunteer Call**

Do you have a passion for helping? We are launching our next fashion show and are looking for volunteers to make this the best fashion show ever!

We are looking for the following volunteers:

**Raffle Committee:** We are planning to have eight large packages. Please join us to help make these packages irresistible!

**Models:** Are you interested in being one of our 20 models? We are compiling a list.

**The Style of the Fashion Show:** Are you interested in working on the Style Show presentation or helping out with your ideas and formatting the project?

If you are interested in joining our fun group please contact the Fashion Show Chairs, listed in the front of your Roster.

With your help, we are looking forward to bringing another great fashion show to our members!

## **Activities**

We are still looking for a couple more ladies to join the new Bunco group.

There is a new card group forming. No games in particular; they will be decided by the group.

The Happy Cookers are looking for up to three new members. They meet on the 3rd Monday of the month at 10:00 am. If you are interested, please contact the Happy Cookers leader listed in the front of your Roster

We are looking for more members for the new Trash to Treasure group (thrift and vintage store shopping). They will meet on the 1st Thursday of the month beginning October 6th.

A new cooking group is getting started.

If you are interested in any of these new groups, have questions about an existing group, or want to start a new activity group, please contact the Activities Chair listed in the front of your Roster.

## **Website – NewcomersNC.org**

### **Website Help Needed**

Every month the website gets updated with information from the newsletter. We would like to turn that job over to someone who has web experience.

We already have a wonderful webmaster who handles the back end and keeps things working

smoothly. The help needed will be the monthly cutting and pasting in WordPress to keep the website current. If you are eager to learn WordPress, we could teach you.

If this is something you might be able to help with, please contact the Membership Chair, listed in the front of your Roster.

## **Membership**

If you know someone who would be interested in joining Newcomers, please let the Membership Chair know or direct her to our website, <http://newcomersnc.org>, where you can find and print a Membership Application.

## **Welcome to our New Members**

With the addition of our three new members, our membership total is 270.

Payment/Receipt Area

From NL Oct 2016

Winner's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Newcomers Club Silent Auction

**Please PRINT**

Item Description \_\_\_\_\_

Seller's Name & Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Value \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Bid Increments** \_\_\_\_\_

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