

Nevada County Newcomers Club

October 2017

President's Message

ADVICE FROM A PUMPKIN: Be well rounded, get plenty of sunshine, give thanks for life's bounty, have a thick skin, keep growing.... think big.
~Ilar Shamir

The next few months are big ones for our club.

This month's luncheon is our annual auction to raise money for our Christmas Families Project. We have wonderful items both large and small for our live auction and also a super silent auction. This day is always entertaining even if you don't win your bid. Please come, join the fun, and bring along a friend. Don't forget to wear your Halloween costume for a fun parade and you may win a prize!

In November and December we will be working on our shopping and wrapping for the children's Christmas. This is your time to volunteer. Most jobs are a small commitment in time and a BIG payoff in good feelings.

We still need flashlights, infant toothbrushes, toothpaste and floss, as well as cold weather items for teens and adults. If you can contribute any of these items please bring them to the box located in the foyer at the luncheon.

I'd like to extend a BIG THANK YOU to all of you who are working so hard on organizing these projects!

See you at our Auction Luncheon on October 25th.

October Luncheon Meeting and Annual Auctions

October 25, 2017

Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$23.00 per person

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

Tri-Tip Madeira with tender sautéed mushrooms, Madeira wine reduction and a sour cream demi-glacé served with buttered mashed potatoes

or

Stuffed Pork Loin with baby spinach, feta, seared apples, caramelized red onion and mint pear au jus served with buttered mashed potatoes

or

Stuffed Manicotti with roasted veggie ragout and herbed Parmesan risotto

All entrées include butternut squash soup, bread and butter, coffee and tea

Pumpkin Pie for dessert

To Make Reservations for October 25, please make your \$23.00 check payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** and mail it to the Reservation person for October. You'll find her information in your newsletter.

Checks must be received by **Monday, October 16**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm **Tuesday, October 17**. Please write **Oct-Beef, Oct-Pork** or **Oct-Veg** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, October 17, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation person for October. You'll find her information in your newsletter.

October Silent Auction

Change is in the air with autumn arriving and with the upcoming Silent Auction. We are transitioning to new chairpersons for 2018-2019. Your current chairs, along with next year's chairs, have already been collaborating. Positive, more effective methods will be implemented this year. These are tried-and-true changes that have worked for many other non-profits in the area. Your help and understanding are greatly appreciated.

We NEED your donations, new or gently used items – no clothing please. Remember, variety is the spice of life. If you're unsure of a donation, call us. **Let's make this a stellar year for our community and the families we help support!**

Here's an awesome change: **Early registration and drop off of donations...we want to encourage this.** Debe Wilson and Tricia Shelton will be collecting these items. **You can drop off your donated items** (with completed bid sheet if possible) **at Alta Sierra Country Club on Monday, October 23 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm and on Tuesday, October 24 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. These are the only available dates and times for early drop off.** If this does not work for you, items can be brought on the day of the auction or you can call Doris Balog or Veronica Woodmansee (contact info below) for other options.

To make it easy to register, our Newsletter Team has included a bid form for donated items in the back of the newsletter. You can print it off (white paper only please) and have your registration form ready. Fill out your name, the item description and value. Our team will fill in the rest. If you are selling an item, you need a green bid form and those will be available the day of the auction. There is a \$3 registration fee per item.

There are to be no refunds at the live or silent auctions.

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

Treasures at the Live Auction

The Newcomers Annual Live Auction is almost here! This exciting and fun-filled event supports our Christmas Families Project. Together we can create another special, magical Christmas for children in our community. Last year we supported 152 children, all because of your generosity. The Live Auction brings a Dream List that you won't want to miss, offering treasures that will amaze and tempt you. Remember, the Live Auction is open to the public so invite your family and friends. John Renwick, owner of RE/MAX Performance, will return as our auctioneer, bringing his dynamic, fast-paced entertaining energy to this event. Take a look at the list of some of the incredible items to be auctioned off. Bring your Wish List, your enthusiasm and your checkbooks!

One night's stay at Atlantis in Reno

Olive Oil tasting for 10

Rounds of golf for 4 and a \$100 gift certificate to the Timbers Restaurant

CATS theater tickets for 2 and a \$50 gift certificate to Asian Gardens

Arctic Santa hand-crafted wall hanging

Sierra Stages tickets for 2 and a \$50 gift certificate to Cirino's

InConcert Sierra tickets for 2 and a gift certificate to Sergio's Caffé

Tim the Tree Man

Half day fly fishing trip on the Yuba River with Tom Page of the Reel Anglers Fly Shop

Fun Package, which includes Sierra Cinema tickets, Baskin Robbins gift cards for kids scoops, a \$25 gift certificate to the Fun Park and a \$25 gift certificate to Prosperity Lanes

Festive fall flower arrangement by Grass Valley Florist

Lovely wine rack stocked with local wines

Legacy Productions tickets for 4 and a \$75 gift certificate to Lefty's Grill

Blu Sky Window Washing

Fly-over Nevada County with Bruce Marlow

A Taste of Grass Valley and Nevada City with gift certificates to various restaurants

Four hours of quality house cleaning by The Flying Broom

Legacy tickets for 2 and a \$50 gift certificate to Bistro 221

Shopping Package with
gift certificates to Empire
Shoes, Bamboo Home
Store and Yuba Blue

A week's stay at a condo
in North Carolina

Dale's Carpet &
Upholstery Cleaning

3-night stay at a house in
Santa Cruz

And many more surprises!

There are to be no refunds at the live or silent auctions.

December Luncheon Meeting

December 6, 2017 at 11:30 am
Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$25 per person

December Program: Richard Altenbach

Richard Altenbach, formerly 1st Violinist of the Los Angeles Chamber, LA Opera, Joffrey Ballet, and Houston Symphony Orchestras, and currently first chair for the InConcert Sierra Orchestra and the Auburn symphony, is preparing a beautiful musical program with three or four other musicians. He is composing one of the works especially for us. Richard has performed live on the Academy Awards (including 2014) and *The Tonight Show*, and has collaborated with Frank Sinatra, YoYo Ma, Barbra Streisand, Mannheim Steamroller and Puff Daddy among many others. We are fortunate that he is bringing this program to Newcomers. Join your friends and get into the holiday spirit!

Table Reservation Policy for the December Luncheon

All attendees will have assigned seating.

You may create a group from two to eight people for this event. Maximum of eight per table. For reservations with fewer than eight, your table will be completed with other members.

There are two ways to make table reservations for your 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. Paperclip the checks together and place in an envelope.

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 each of their lunch requests.

Please ensure that each person's meal choice is noted on the checks or on your list of tablemates.

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.

December Luncheon Menu

Choice of

Citrus Baked Salmon with a lemon caper cream sauce served with herbed mixed potatoes

or

Tri-Tip London Broil marinated, charbroiled and roasted with a mushroom Bordelaise sauce served with herbed mixed potatoes

or

Cheese Stuffed Tortellini with slivered peppers, butternut squash and a pumpkin cream sauce

All entrées include cream of mushroom soup, bread and butter, coffee and tea

Chocolate Walnut Tartlets with Chantilly whipped cream for dessert

To make Reservations for December 6, please make your check payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** in the amount of **\$25** and drop it with your reservation instructions into the Check Box at the October Luncheon, or mail them to the Reservation person for December. You'll find her information in your newsletter.

Checks must be received by **Monday, November 20**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm on **Tuesday, November 21**. Please write **Dec-Salmon, Dec- Beef** or **Dec-Veg** on the bottom of the check, or on a list of attendees if you are a Head Person. After Tuesday, November 21, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation person for October. You'll find her information in your newsletter.

More Program Highlights -- Mark Your Calendars!

January 24, 2018 – Supplemental and Alternative Medicine -- Debra and Tiffany will give us information on some of the alternatives to assist in pain relief, such as that which occurs from Lyme disease. Attended by medical physicians, therapists and others, the California College of Ayurveda provides training and information on pain relief beyond prescription drugs.

February 21, 2018 – Niel Fischer, California Registered Professional Forester, will speak on our Northern California forests, fire control, the drought, and the respite from the drought. He is both Director of the California Fire Safe Council and the former Director of the California Licensed Foresters Association.

March 28, 2018 – He's back! Brent Nixon, performer, environmentalist and professional photographer, is returning. Many of you remember Brent from his performance on Bears and

Whales. When not filming the endangered environment and its inhabitants, Brent performs for Celebrity Cruises and sells his filming to National Geographic. His latest contribution to Nat Geo was "Saving the Coral Reefs." Rosalie found him filming the black tailed shark in French Polynesia on his way to finding the green turtles nesting in Hawaii. This is a popular event so book early!

April 25, 2018 – Annual Fashion Show – more information to follow

May 30, 2018 – Sierra Stages is becoming a musical show tradition. Their 2017 production of Chicago was New York quality performed by our own unbelievable area talent. Totally delighted by their 2017 production of Chicago, we will be entertained by excerpts from their 2018 musicals conducted by Ken Getz. You cannot afford to miss their surprise 2018 program!

Christmas Families Goodie Bag Project

Our Christmas Goodie Bags are a little something extra we provide for the moms and dads of the children enrolled in our Christmas Families Project.

There will be a box in the foyer at our luncheons for any items you would like to donate to help the parents of our children.

This time of year you may find gloves and hats on sale. Sox and slipper sox are always appreciated. As usual we need cosmetic bags for women and toiletry bags for men.

Whatever you give will be sure to bring joy to these families who are working so hard to provide a better life for their children. Thanks for your generosity.

Sunshine

If you know a member who is ill or might be in need of some comfort or condolences, please contact our Sunshine Chair.

New Member Reception – Friday October 20

There will be a Newcomers Club New Member Reception on Friday, October 20, at 2:00 p.m. at the home of our New Member Event Chair. All new members are invited to come and learn more about the Newcomers Club and various activity groups available. Please R.S.V.P. to the New Member Event Chair, her information can be found in your newsletter.

Membership

E-Mail Changes, Membership Questions: If you know someone who would be interested in joining Newcomers, contact our Membership Chair, or direct them to our website, NewcomersNC.org where they can find and print a Membership Application.

Luncheon Raffles

The luncheon raffles are an important part of the Newcomers Club budget. They support all of our activities. There are four to five prizes raffled off at each luncheon. Tickets are \$1 each, \$5 for six tickets, or \$10 for fifteen.

Thank You to our Generous Contributors and Supporters

**A big thank you to
Bistro 221 and to one of our generous members
for their contributions to the September Raffle.**

Please patronize the businesses that provide us with donations. While you are there, mention to these businesses that you are a Newcomer member and appreciate their support.

Payment/Receipt Area

From NL Oct 2017

Winner's Name _____

Newcomers Club Silent Auction

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Item Description _____

Seller's Name & Phone Number _____

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