

Nevada County Newcomers Club

October 2015

President's Message

"Fall has always been my favorite season. The time when everything bursts with its last beauty, as if nature had been saving up all year for the grand finale." —Lauren DeStefano

The October luncheon is the one you have all been waiting for, and it is almost here! Costumes are encouraged, and prizes will be awarded for the most creative ones! If you are submitting any items for the Silent Auction, please be sure to review the Guide on page 3. If you can't make the luncheon, you can always show up at 1:00 pm for the Live Auction and bring your friends with you! We have 27 amazing Live Auction items this year.

Just a reminder, we do not have a luncheon in November due to the Thanksgiving holiday. For our Holiday Luncheon on December 3, we will be taking table reservations. Please refer to page 4 for instructions on how to submit your reservation checks. Our December program will be a very special event and will sell out quickly, so don't delay!

A new feature in our newsletter begins this month. We want to be sure that you are reading your *entire* newsletter. Read on for further information!

I look forward to seeing you in October!

October Luncheon Meeting & Annual Auctions

October 28, 2015

Alta Sierra Country Club

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

Cost: \$18.00 per person

October Program: Our Annual Live and Silent Auctions

October Luncheon Menu

Choice of:

Veal Pot Roast Simmered in Root Vegetables with Garlic Mashed Potatoes
and Herbed Pan Reduction Gravy

or

Stuffed Pork Loin with Baby Spinach, Feta, Seared Apples, Caramelized Red Onion and
Mint Pear Au Jus

or

Vegetarian Stuffed Bell Peppers with Sharp Cheddar, Risotto and
Smoked Tomato Paste

All entrées will include Tomato Basil Soup, Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea

Pumpkin Pie with Whipped Cream for Dessert

To Make Reservations for October 28, 2015, please make your \$18.00 check, payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB**, and mail it to the Reservation Chair for October. You can find her address in the October Newsletter.

Checks must be received by **Monday, October 19**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm **Tuesday, October 20**. Please write **Oct-Veal, Oct-Pork, or Oct-Veg** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, October 20, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation Chair for October. You can find her phone number in the October Newsletter.

Treasures Await at the Live Auction!

It is time again for the Newcomers Annual Live and Silent Auctions. This exciting event supports our Christmas Families Project. We want to make this Christmas special for as many children as possible. Last year we supported 80 children and 34 families. With your generosity, we can increase that number this year. Remember, the auction is open to the public so invite your friends and bring your checkbooks. This year our auctioneer will be John Renwick, owner of RE/MAX Performance. His gracious and fun personality will surely entertain you. Take a look at the list of items to be auctioned off on the following page, to see what might arouse your interest.

Pet Package	Wine Rack Stocked with Nevada County Wines	CATS Theater Tickets with Gift Certificate to New Moon Café
Solune Winegrowers Wine Tasting	One Night's Stay at Lamb's Inn and Two Room Inn with Restaurant Gift Certificates	Basket of Wines and Chocolates
Cooking Classes at Tess' Kitchen Store and Briar Patch Co-Op	Four Rounds of Golf at Alta Sierra Country Club with Cart plus Lunch for Four	Two-Night Stay at Atlantis plus \$100 Gift Certificate
Beauty Package	Christmas Wreath	Legacy Productions Theater Tickets with Gift Certificate to Lefty's Grill
Hand-Crafted Winter Wall Hanging	House Maintenance Package	Allan Berman 3' x 2' Enhanced Photo of Lake Tahoe
Sierra Stages Theater Tickets with Gift Certificate to Sergio's Caffé	Sierra Star Wine Tasting with Gift Certificate from Christopher's Old World Deli	Tim the Tree Man
Tasting for 10 at Olive Vitality	Water Color of Dutch Irises on Rice Paper	3-Night Stay in Santa Cruz
Horse Riding Lesson		The Consolations
Plant Stands with Flowers		
Two 90 minute Massages		

Your Guide to the Silent Auction

Our October Auction is just around the corner. 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 down 50% and so was our income. Let's make this a stellar year for our community and their families! Let's try to raise last year's donations by 100%...we'll be back on track then. 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, 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 are available the day of the auction.

For questions about donations, registering items, or pick-up and storage of items, please contact your Silent Auction co-chairs. Their contact information can be found in your October Newsletter.

Silent Auction **item collection begins at 9:30 am**. Please take your Silent Auction items to the back of the banquet room **prior** to picking up your name tags for the luncheon.

Registration Fee Information: No registration fee is required if you are donating items for the Silent Auction with proceeds going to the Christmas Families Project. A seller registration fee is required if you are personally collecting the proceeds. The fee is \$3 per item. You can bring up to 2 items. Each member is responsible for taking home her unsold items.

Payment Methods for Winning Bidders: Each item requires a separate payment. Pay by cash or write a check for each item. Please bring **multiple checks or cash**.

Don't forget to come in your favorite Halloween costume and be a part of the festivities. You may even win a prize!

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 December Reservation Chair. Her information can be found in your October Newsletter.

You may reserve a table for a group of 2 to 8 people. If less than 8 in your party, your table will be completed with other attendees to make a full table of 8. There are two ways for you 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. 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.

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 Communications Person of the month so that the name tag 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 for you.

December Luncheon Meeting

December 2, 2015

Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$25.00 per person

December Program: Author Gage McKinney and the Cornish Choir

Author Gage McKinney has written books on gold mining in Nevada County, the lifestyle of the people and miners of the 1800's. He will share excerpts from his new book, to be released in the spring, on the life of Errol MacBoyle, who owned and operated the Idaho Maryland Mine, the second largest underground gold mine in California. Mr. MacBoyle lived at Loma Rica Ranch and was the founder of the Sierra Nevada Hospital. In his book, "When The Miners Sang," Mr. McKinney describes the wonderful recorded and broadcast music of the miners singing in the depths of the gold mines.

Celebrating its 100th anniversary, the Cornish Choir, under the direction of Eleanor Knitzer, will recreate the miners' music sent up through the tunnels and also a few well-known Christmas carols.

The 2015 Newcomers Christmas Families Project is getting underway. We will hear about some of the 80 children and 34 families we supported in 2014 and how our program helps support struggling families by providing a Christmas for their children.

December Luncheon Menu

Baked Salmon Served with a Whole Grain Honey Mustard Glaze Over Rice

or

Seared Center Cut Pork Loin with Sun Dried Cranberry Demi Glace
and House Made Spicy Apple Sauce

or

Cheese Stuffed Tortellini with Slivered Peppers, Butternut Squash

and a Pumpkin Cream Sauce

All entrées will include Romaine and Spinach Salad with Bacon, Peaches, Roma Tomatoes & Feta Cheese served with a Warm Ginger Vinaigrette, Bread and Butter, Coffee and Tea

Chocolate Pear William Torte with Poached Pears,
Chocolate Mousse and Ganache for Dessert

To Make Reservations for December 2, 2015, 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 to the Reservation Chair for December. Her address can be found in your October and November Newsletters.

Checks must be received by **Monday, November 16**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm on **Tuesday, November 17**. Please write **Dec-Salmon, Dec-Pork, or Dec-Veg** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, November 17, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation Chair for December. You can find her contact information in your October or November Newsletters.

More Program Highlights

Jan 27, 2016 - Mary Owens, a local economist, returns with a lively and informative discussion of global economic policy and education needs for the next generation. She will present the second half of her discussion, “Bring Manufacturing Back into the United States”. Besides her career as a financial planner and branch manager of a local company, she has served as Treasurer for Hospice of the Foothills and the American Red Cross, and is a former Mayor of Auburn.

Feb 24, 2016 – TBA

Mar 23, 2016 – Dr. Kent Lightfoot, anthropologist at the University of California, Berkeley, will speak on “Early Man: The Complex Hunter-Gatherers” of California. Dr. Lightfoot is a Guggenheim Fellow who has studied methods of food sources, change and survival in the Pacific coastal area.

Christmas Families Project

Our Christmas Families Project is being “kicked off” earlier this year as Thanksgiving Day falls quite late in November. The Committee will meet in October to approve support for agencies and allocate the budget. Our program is dedicated to giving children a special Christmas and to helping the moms and dads who are making an effort to get back on their feet, but just do not

have enough extra for Christmas. The children need to know that this is a special Christmas for them by people who care.

If you would like to help with the Committee (publicity, special projects), please call the Chairman. Her phone number can be found in your October Newsletter. This is an extensive program, and there is only a short period of time between receiving information on the families, buying, wrapping and distributing the gifts.

If you would like to help with finding just the right gifts for a deserving family, please contact the Special Needs Chair. Her information can be found in the October Newsletter. If you would like to help with wrapping the gifts for these special children, please contact the Wrapping Chair. Her information can be found in your October Newsletter.

Donated Supplemental Items: The Supplemental Items Chair, is asking for donated items starting tomorrow. You can find her contact information in your October Newsletter. Our Program is for the children, but we also give the moms and dads a little gift. Bobbie is looking for unused hotel or cruise ship amenities such as soaps, shampoos, conditioners or lotions, cosmetic bags and make-up samples that you have saved when your favorite cosmetic companies offered them as specials throughout the year. Also, for the moms, any new, small gift items such as journals, small flower planters, magnetic note pads, hot pads, picture frames, candles, winter gloves or scarves are much appreciated. For the dads, socks, wool caps, aftershave lotion, a deck of cards or books to read are well received.

In addition, we need many new, or like new, children's toys to augment the children's packages. Some of the toys go to Foster Children who were not adopted for our Program, but receive presents from Social Services. New or like-new bicycles of all sizes are always needed. If you have any of the above-mentioned items to donate, please call the Supplemental Items Chair. She will arrange to meet you or come to your home to pick them up.

Activities

The Newcomers Club is known for our fun activity groups. There are lots to choose from – book groups, bridge, cooking, and more. Look in your new Roster to find the activity of your choice and contact the group leader for more details. If you are interested in something new, please contact me, the Activities Coordinator. You can find my contact information in the October Newsletter, and we can work together. Look in future newsletters for a member survey about interest in a special tour of Beale Air Force Base. Please be thinking about whether you would like to participate. More later!

Website – NewcomersNC.org

Do you have a friend who might be interested in becoming a member of Newcomers? If so, the best place for her to see what we are about is our website, NewcomersNC.org. The website

contains information on our charter, clubs, luncheons and special programs. It also contains the membership application form along with instructions on how to join.

If you personally haven't checked out the website, you should! We won't be listing member contact information online, so you'll still need to refer to your newsletter for instructions on mailing your reservation checks, etc. BUT...if you want to know what programs are coming up, or what we'll be having for dessert at the upcoming luncheon, visit the website for a quick answer.

If you are reading this paragraph and want to win a Prize, print your name and the words, **OCTOBER AUCTIONS**, on a 3 x 5 card or a similar size piece of paper and drop it in the Special Prize Box in the lobby before the October Meeting. Someone will win a free Newcomers Lunch! (Must be present to win.)

Membership

E-Mail Changes, Membership Questions: If you've changed your e-mail address or have questions about membership, please contact the Membership Chair. Her information can be found in your October Newsletter or in your Roster.

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