

Newcomers Club of Nevada County

April 2017 Newsletter

President's Message

Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's Party!" - Robin Williams

Hi Everyone,

I don't know about you, but I will be glad when our rain and cold is over. WELCOME SPRING!!

A great way to WELCOME SPRING!! is to make plans to attend this year's **"Thank you Christmas Angels" Luncheon and Fashion Show** on April 26th. We have been thinking up all kinds of new ideas:

New Venue: Foothills Event Center

New Purpose: Benefiting our Christmas Family Project (CFP)

New Kinds of Raffle Prizes

Fashion Makeovers

New Silent Auction for our darling miniature centerpieces

A Delicious Lunch

Plus: Wow Items from our stores, new wonderful commentators, and surprise guests.

Please invite your friends (we have extra spaces this year), and be prepared to support CFP (cash or check only). Look for all the details in the following pages with a map on page 4.

See you April 26! My best wishes to you and yours this April.

April's "Thank You Christmas Angels Fashion Show"

April 26, 2017 - Doors open at 10:00 am

Lunch at 11:00 am (assigned seating)

Fashion Show at 12:00 pm

Foothills Event Center - 400 Idaho Maryland Road, Grass Valley
(see map on Page 4)

Cost: \$30.00 per person - Note New Price

The **Thank You Christmas Angels Fashion Show** will take the place of our regular luncheon on April 26. Please remember that the Fashion Show is moving to the upscale Foothills Event Center with doors opening at 10:00 am and lunch served at 11:00 am. Tickets are \$30.00 per person.

The program is sure to capture your interest, as two cheerful commentators whose inimitable style is becoming legendary will emulate all the work of the Newcomers Christmas Angels. It will be a spectacular event featuring our Christmas Family Project.

New this year – 10 big fashion raffles. There will be one “Wow!” item from each store – these are specially selected items by the storeowners that everyone will want to win! Plus, each storeowner will offer an “in-store session for the lucky winner and three friends with lunch to follow at a local restaurant.” For example, the store Beautiful’s topic is “Mirror, Mirror on the Wall” in which you will learn more about your body type and what is good for you. The other 4 stores have equally exciting topics.

You can have a chance to win by purchasing raffle tickets, sold only for cash or check, with 10 for \$5.00, 20 for \$10.00 and 50 for \$20.00. We can all see that \$20.00 is the best buy! Be sure to be prepared to purchase tickets to get a chance to win these spectacular fashion-related items. The more tickets, the greater your chances of going home fashion-enhanced.

Each dining table will be decorated with a miniature hand-decorated Christmas tree available through the silent auction. Be sure to bid on your favorite. All proceeds benefit the Christmas Families Project.

Emily’s will cater lunch, served at 11:00 am; entrees are gluten free. Special requests must be made for gluten free desserts. Please include this request with your reservation. Wines from a local winery will be available for \$6.00 per glass.

This fashion show is surely one you will remember long after the last fashion has been modeled and the last ticket has been drawn. This special event is a sell out every year, so make your reservations right away and plan to share this special **Thank You Christmas Angels Fashion Show** event with your friends. To assure your seating, please make your reservation for tables as soon as possible. There will be assigned seating for everyone.

April Fashion Show Luncheon Menu

Choice of

Grilled Lemon Herb Chicken Breast, wild rice salad with mixed greens, cranberries, pecans and Gorgonzola cheese

or

Polenta with gluten-free pesto, roasted mushrooms, bell peppers, and Mozzarella cheese

All entrées include bread and butter, coffee and tea

A dessert plate on each table will include:

Lemon Bar, Truffle Brownie, and
Vanilla Bean Cream Puffs

Wine will be available for purchase - Look for the signature Newcomers drink!

Table Reservation Policy for the April Luncheon

Please note:

1. All attendees will have assigned seating.
2. You may create a group from 2 to 8 people for this event. Maximum of 8 per table.
3. For reservations with fewer than 8 people, your table will be completed with other members.

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. 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.

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.

Make all checks payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** in the amount of **\$30.00**, and mail it to the Reservation Chair for April.

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

If you have questions about the Fashion Show and Luncheon, contact our president.

You'll find a map to the Foothill Event Center on Page 4.



Map to Foothill Event Center
400 Idaho Maryland Road - Grass Valley CA 95945
530-271-1000

May Luncheon Meeting

May 24, 2017, at 11:30 am
Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$23.00 per person – **Please Note New Price of \$23.00**

May Program: Sierra Stages

Sierra Stages returns with their group of outstanding local vocalists and performers. They will do excerpts from their upcoming productions at the Nevada Theatre, featuring *End Days* (March 2 – 25), *Chicago* (July 13 – August 5) and *Ordinary Days* (October 5 – 28).

May Luncheon Menu

Choice of

Stuffed Pork Loin with baby spinach, Feta cheese, seared apples,
caramelized red onions and mint pear au jus

or

Portobello Eggplant Napoleons stacked with fresh Parmesan cheese, tomatoes and
basil;

topped with marinara and alfredo sauces and served with a creamy
herbed risotto

or

Mixed Cobb Salad with chicken breast, bacon, cucumber, tomato, and
crumbled blue cheese

with your choice of ranch or blue cheese dressing and
cream of mushroom soup

Cobb Salad ONLY includes cream of mushroom soup; other entrées
include a house green salad with sliced cucumbers, tomatoes,
mushrooms and dressing

All entrées will include bread and butter, coffee and tea

Yogurt Cake topped with a currant raspberry sauce for dessert

To Make Reservations for May 24, 2017, please make your **\$23.00 check** payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** and drop in the Check Box at the APRIL Luncheon or mail your **\$23.00** check to the Reservation Chair for May.

Checks must be received by **Monday, May 15, 2017**. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm on **Tuesday, May 16, 2017**. Please write **May-Pork** or **May-Eggplant** or **May-Cobb** on the bottom of your check. After Tuesday, May 16, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation Chair for May.

More Program Highlights – Mark Your Calendars!

June 28, 2017 – Gary Noy, local author and historian, will regale us with tales from his newest book, *Gold Rush Stories: 49 Tales of Seekers, Scoundrels, Loss and Luck*. Gary has taught history at Sierra Community College in Rocklin, California, from 1987 to the present. The son and grandson of Cornish hard rock gold miners, Gary was born in Grass Valley, California. Books will be available for purchase.

Christmas Families Monthly 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. In April, we're following the lead of our wonderful upcoming fashion show by asking for cold weather items, plus a few staples, for our December goodie bags. Please be generous; a little something nice given in friendship can really make a difference!

Toothbrushes - all sizes
Toothpaste and floss
Socks - men, women, children
Stretchy slipper socks
Work gloves for men
Stretch gloves for women
Toiletry bags to hold men's goodies
Cosmetic bags to hold women's goodies

Shopping at sales? Look for gloves and knit hats/caps for all sizes. Remember, our goodie bags go out in December!

“Go into the world and do well. But more importantly, go into the world and do good.”
- Minor Myers

Activities

The Bunco group that meets on the first Thursday of the month is actively seeking subs. Subs do not have to host..

Trash to Treasure needs a coordinator. Please contact our Activities Chair if you are interested in either joining and/or acting as coordinator for the group.

New Activity Group: Music Ensemble (official name to be determined)

Did you play an instrument once upon a time? Flute? Oboe? Cello? Clarinet? Violin? Viola? Trumpet? Harp? Recorder? Other? One of our members has a studio and a lovely Steinway piano. She enjoys playing music with other instrumentalists and thinks it would be fun to have a Newcomers ensemble. Please let our Activities Chair know if you are interested in exploring this activity.

As always, you are welcome to start a new activity group. You are only limited by your imagination! Please contact our Activities Chair.

Sunshine

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

Membership

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

If you've changed your e-mail address or have questions about membership, please contact our Membership Chair.

New Member Reception

There will be a **New Member Reception on Wednesday, April 5, at 2:00 pm** at the home of Alice Ruth Mischke, 10785 Arianna Ct., Grass Valley. All new members are invited to come and learn more about our Newcomers Club and the many activity groups available. Please R.S.V.P. to the New Member Reception Chair.

Welcome to our New Members

We welcome our three new members. They bring our total membership to 292.

Luncheon Raffles

The luncheon raffles are an important part of the Newcomers Club budget. They support all of our activities. There will be a special raffle at the April Fashion Show, which directly benefits the Christmas Families Project. Please patronize the businesses that provide us with donations. While you are there, mention that you are a Newcomers Club member and appreciate their support. Thank you to all the members who support our organization by buying raffle tickets.