

Nevada County Newcomers Club

March 2022

President's Message

"I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions."

~Anonymous

I am sure we have all been enjoying our unseasonable weather, knowing that we can plan outdoor activities and can be sure that we will not be rained on. Unfortunately, this spring-like weather comes at a price. If we don't get rain or snow sometime in the near future, the snow season will suffer and without more rain we will all have to worry about catastrophic wildfires later in the year. We are still in the winter season with spring arriving on March 20, so let us hope that we will get a few strong storms during the months of March and April.

I was very sorry that we had to cancel our January luncheon. We did not receive enough reservations, perhaps because many of our members were dealing with the power outages and damages from the earlier storm or were still concerned about the Omicron surge. Although the symptoms do not appear as severe with this variant, it is certainly one of the most contagious viruses we have seen so far. By the time you read this message we will already have had our February luncheon which received many more reservations than the previous month. Our speaker for March is Loren Acton, astrophysicist and Astronaut Payload Specialist on Space Shuttle Challenger. Please invite your husbands, partners and friends to join us as I am sure they will be interested to learn more from this speaker.

Our New Venue Committee has been working hard to find a new luncheon meeting place. As you are aware, we cannot continue to meet at the Alta Sierra Country Club because of cost constraints. We have been holding our luncheons at the ASCC for many years, and it has been an ideal venue. That being said, we have been priced out of that location. I am sure, moving forward, you all will be pleased with the committee's decisions on new locations for our luncheons.

As always, stay safe and well.

March Luncheon Meeting

March 23, 2022 at 11:30 am
Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$30 per person

March Program – Human Spaceflight – Past and Future

Loren Acton, Astronaut Payload Specialist on Space Shuttle Challenger and world leading astrophysicist, will give a talk about what you have forgotten or perhaps never knew about “Human Spaceflight – Past and Future.” Husbands, friends and neighbors are welcome to attend.

PLEASE NOTE: We will require a minimum of 50 people in order to proceed with the program. We look forward to increasing our luncheon attendance.

<p style="text-align: center;">March Luncheon Buffet</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mex Bar</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Seasoned Ground Beef or Seasoned Chicken – Fajita Style with iceberg lettuce, tomatoes, onions, jalapeño peppers, olives, mixed cheese, sour cream, nacho cheese, nacho chips, tortillas, taco shells, beans and guacamole</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Coffee and Tea</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dessert</p>
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To make reservations for **MARCH 23, 2022**, please make your **\$30 check** payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB** and mail it to the Reservation chair for March.

Checks must be received by **Wednesday, March 9, 2022**. Please write **BEEF** or **CHICKEN** on the bottom of your check. Cancellations will be accepted before 5:00 pm on **Thursday, March 10, 2022**. After **Thursday, March 10, 2022**, to see if there has been a cancellation or to have your name added to the waiting list, call the Reservation chair for March.

WE ARE REQUIRED TO GIVE ALTA SIERRA TWO (2) WEEKS ADVANCE NOTICE FOR OUR LUNCHEON HEADCOUNT. Your cooperation in getting checks in at your earliest convenience is appreciated.

COVID Protocol

Please note the COVID-19 protocol that we will need to follow at the luncheons:

1. There is a sign at all doors that a MASK MUST be worn inside the clubhouse.
2. When you sit down to your table, you may take off your mask or keep it on.
3. When you are up walking around visiting with others or going to the bar, restroom or any other part of the club, you will need to wear your mask.
4. The staff working our event will also be wearing masks.

April Luncheon Meeting

April 27, 2022 at 11:30 am

April Program – Women of the Old West

Chris Enss is an award-winning New York Times best-selling author and former performer. A local resident, Chris will entertain us with stories of Women of the Old West but will focus her talk on Annie Oakley (and the little-known parts of her life). Chris is always delightful with animated presentations and enthusiasm for her subjects. She will have books for sale at the event.

April Luncheon

Meeting location, luncheon menu and cost TBD

Watch for an email blast with more Information!

More Program Highlights – Mark Your Calendars

May 25, 2022 – Climatologist Dr. Rob Dunbar will speak about climate change.

Fashion Show

We are in search of models for our fabulous, upcoming Fashion Show on June 22. We need about 20 models of all shapes and sizes – everyone is welcome. Models will need to be available for clothing selections the week prior and a walk-through the morning of the fashion show. It's lots of fun and a chance to wear/show a really great new outfit with assistance from our Fashion Show team and the store owner. We need to know soon so that we can make store and model assignments. Our treasurer is working on this task, so if you are interested, please contact her.

Activities

The Activities Notebook has been updated and will be available at the monthly luncheons. Depending on available space, it will either be on the table in the foyer of Alta Sierra or in the dining room. Changes to the groups will continue for some time. Group leaders are asked to please update their information with the Activities chair.

If you have any questions, ideas or are interested in forming a new group, please contact the Activities chair.

Sunshine

If you know of anyone needing some support, comfort or encouragement from our club, please contact the Sunshine chair.

Membership – We are up to 194 members!

Membership Questions

DISCOUNTED membership for the remainder of the year – only \$17.00! If you know someone who would be interested in joining Newcomers, she may contact our Membership chair, or direct her to our website, NewcomersNC.org, where she can find and print a membership application. Applications should be sent to the Membership chair.

Welcome New Members (and those recently rejoined)

We welcome our four new members.

Donations

Some of you have inquired about donations made to Newcomers. Because of the new tax laws most people don't need a "donation letter." If you need one, please contact our Treasurer.