



Newcomers Club of Nevada County

A Women's Social and Charitable Organization



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President's Message

I like my money where I can see it: hanging in my closet."

~ Carrie Bradshaw, Sex and The City

Happy Spring everyone! Thankfully, there will be no more snow and only brief showers if we are lucky. So far, so good.

We have come to that time when the board has been especially busy with revising the Newcomers By-Laws and Standing Rules, officer nominations, budgets and membership dues renewals. Please see the Membership article for details regarding dues renewals. The due date is May 1. As a reminder, you will be able to pay by check or online with Zelle. Please see detailed Zelle information on page 7 of this newsletter.

The May luncheon program will be about travel – just in time for the summer travel season. The topic will be “Discover your Dream Trip.” There will be travel surveys for you to complete. We will also be electing one officer at that meeting and voting on bylaws revisions and standing rules. Luncheon information follows in the newsletter.

The June meeting will be a social event for members and prospective members only, with wine tasting (no charge) and hors d'oeuvres, from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm at Alta Sierra.

I would like to take this time to thank the Fashion Show Committee for their creativity, eye for details, and for their very hard work to make this year's Fashion Show the best. Also, thank you to the Decorations Committee for the wonderful table decorations and table setups. Your diligence, creativity and time is greatly appreciated.

President

MAY LUNCHEON MEETING

When: May 24, 2023 at 11:00

Where: Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$30

Program – *Discover Your Dream Trip!*

The guest speaker for our May luncheon will be a travel expert. She has had a 46-year career in the travel industry that included owning her own large-scale adventure travel wholesale company for 25 years. She was also a TV host for a national travel show that aired on the Travel Channel and hosted her own radio travel show. One of her passions is guiding travelers to their dream vacations. In her talk, that includes a slide presentation, she will be identifying the six basic travel types and matching them to six dream vacations for both the budget-minded and luxury traveler.



To make table reservations for MAY 24, 2023, please make your \$30 check payable to NEWCOMERS CLUB. Mail it to the Reservations person assigned for the May lunch.

Checks must be received by MONDAY, May 15. We will not be able to return your check unless you cancel by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, May 16.

NOTE: If you are not able to drive or don't want to drive alone, do not let that stop you from attending the luncheon. To see if a ride can be arranged, please call the Reservations team member assigned for this month.

June End of Year Social

When: June 28, 2023, 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Where: Alta Sierra Country Club

Cost: \$20

Last month we revealed plans for our June End of Year Social. A variety of hors d'oeuvres will be provided, and we are happy to share that Alta Sierra, in conjunction with their wine distributor, will be providing wine tasting at no additional charge. This event is a great way to end our 2022 – 2023 year! There will be tables available for sitting around, both on the deck and in the banquet room. Come join your friends, mingle, meet other members, enjoy the food and wine, and have fun. No host bar.



To attend the June End of Year Social, please make your \$20 check payable to NEWCOMERS CLUB. Mail the check to the Reservations person assigned for June.

Checks must be received by **MONDAY, June 19.** We will not be able to return your check unless you cancel by 5:00 pm on Tuesday, June 20.

A Word About our Rising Costs

As previously stated by our club president, the rising cost of food and venue fees have driven up the cost of our luncheons. Newcomers does not monetarily profit from the luncheons, a question that is often asked.

Lake of the Pines, although a fabulous venue with great staff, currently imposes a room charge of \$500 per event. Our sensible board and great coordinator have supported our ongoing efforts to curtail costs, and we are happy to report that Alta Sierra has waived all room charges for the remainder of 2023. It was an easy decision to have the remainder of our luncheons at that location.

ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

New Groups

Lunch Bunch – Sign-ups at the May luncheon or through the Activity Groups Chair.

A second **Bridge Group** is forming. Meeting day and time have not yet been determined.

All newly formed groups have openings: Bridge, Bunco, Hand & Foot (enough interest for a second group), Mexican Train, Short Walkers (1-2 miles), Hikers (3-5 miles) and Fun Events. If you have signed up for a group, but have not been contacted, it means that more members are needed. The Activity Groups Chair will be the contact person until new groups have leaders and have established a day and time for meeting. There is lots of interest in Hikers, Bunco, Mexican Train and Fun Events, but all need a leader or co-leaders. It's easier than you think!

If you are interested in being on a SUB LIST, please contact the group's leader. Sign-ups can be done at luncheons as well as contacting a group leader or the Activity Groups Chair.

If you have any questions, ideas or are interested in forming a new group, please contact the Activity Groups Chair.



The following groups have openings and are welcoming new members.

Book Clubs

Page Turners (**one opening**)

Date: Third Wednesday at 10:30

Mysteries and More (**three openings**)

Date: First Monday at 1:30

Bridge Group

Date: Second Wednesday at 10:30

Location: Trailblazers

NOTE: Group is full, but may need subs.

Cooking Club

Happy Cookers (accepting subs)

Date: Third Monday at 10:00

Garden Club

Date: First Tuesday at 11:00

Hand and Foot Group

Date: Second Monday at 12:00

NOTE: Group is full, but accepting subs.

Short Walkers Group

Date: Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:00

Writing Group

Date: Set by group each month



SUNSHINE

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

MEMBERSHIP

Membership Dues are “due” May 1

for fiscal year 9/1/2023 - 8/31/2024

DUES

It's that time again. We've had to raise our annual dues a little to cover the increased costs of . . . well, everything! (Have you priced eggs lately?) FYI, our dues have not changed in over ten years! Like so many organizations, we have gone to a digital roster and a digital monthly newsletter. The cost of “snail mailing” has also gone through the roof. With some exceptions, receiving the newsletters in a timely manner through email is much appreciated and preferred. For those who do not have or use email, we can still mail you hard copies for an additional cost to offset these expenses to the club.

If you prefer a hard copy roster, please add \$5 to your dues. If you prefer hard copies of the monthly newsletters, please add \$7 to your dues. Please indicate the reason for the extra amount. (This covers you for the whole year.)

Soon you will be able to make payments online using Zelle. Transfers can be made from your bank account directly to the Newcomers account. Details on how to do this will follow.

Also, as you send in your checks (or Zelle), please think about our charity, Christmas Families Project (CFP), which we have supported for so many years. You are MORE THAN WELCOME to add a little donation to your dues. If you do, please indicate on your check any amount you may be adding for CFP. Our members have been so generous in the past. Thank you!

In order to be included in the roster, dues must be paid no later than **JULY 31, 2023**. Dues payments should be sent to the Membership Chair.

Contact Information

If your contact information has changed, please email or call your changes to the Membership Chair,

Membership Questions

If you know someone who would be interested in joining the Newcomers Club, please have her contact the Membership Chair, or direct her to our website: NewcomersNC.org. From there she can find and print a membership application. Applications should be sent to the Membership Chair.

Lifetime Members

Upon reaching the age of 90, a Lifetime Membership may be granted to a member in good standing who has had an ongoing membership in the club for at least five years. Lifetime Membership waives payment of dues. If you know of a member who qualifies for this status, please contact the Membership Chair. It has been brought to our attention that one of our lifetime members has recently passed. Our condolences to her family.

A New Way to Pay Newcomers Club

A reminder that you will be able to pay renewal dues, lunches and make donations to CFP by check or online with Zelle. This may be a new process for many of you, but we know many of us are already familiar with using Zelle. It is a simple form of bank transfer from your account to Newcomers' bank account. It is as simple as that. You maintain control of your bank account.

You will be receiving an E-Blast with full details and support soon. Remember, we are here to help with any questions you may have. You will always have someone to contact for help. Contact information for support will be included in the E-Blast.

You will have the option of paying by check for both dues and luncheons as well as any CFP contributions you may want to make.



Members with May Birthdays

See next month's newsletter for photos of the Gourmet Girls' day with a celebrity chef!

