

# Newcomers Club of Nevada County

*A Women's Social and Charitable Organization*



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## *President's Message*

*During the late Roman Republic, the Ides of March, March 15, marked the start of the new year and the feast of the goddess, Anna Perenna. Romans celebrated by eating and drinking copiously, engaging in widespread debauchery, and making sacrifices. You're welcome to do the same, but maybe skip the sacrifices.*

*~Ginni Chen*

As I write this message, we are between yet another series of rain events. Thankfully, the snow level is above 6,000 feet so far. Not to worry, spring will be here in 21 days, and the warm sun and sweet showers will make the flora burst forth.

We are fortunate to have nominees for all the officer positions for the 2024-25 and 2025-26 membership years. We have a few vacancies for committee chairs, including Ways and Means and Membership. There is an open position for Reservations. We are looking for members to volunteer for these positions. Also, if you are a new member and would be interested in joining in the fun, please contact me, and I will get you in touch with the appropriate members to answer all your questions. If you have joined Newcomers to make friends, this is a great way to meet people. Think about it!

We do not have a luncheon in March, but we are having an Informed Women's meeting on Wednesday, March 27. Quietech Associates will be bringing us up to speed on the latest scams, etc. Detailed information follows in this newsletter.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon.

*~ President*

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# Informed Women's Series

## MARCH Special Event

**DATE:** Wednesday, March 27

**TIME:** 10:00 – 12:00

**LOCATION:**

Kerby Conference Room at  
Hospice of the Foothills  
11270 Rough and Ready Highway, Grass Valley



**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND . . .**

We are pleased to have the owner of **Quietech Associates** return to speak to us about the kinds of scams that target senior citizens, as new ones are appearing all the time.

This program is intended to make us all more aware of what red flags to look for when we receive texts, emails, and even phone calls, so we can avoid becoming a victim.

**Please limit questions to GENERAL QUESTIONS ONLY!!!**

**This event is limited to 50 members. If we don't fill the 50 slots, friends may be invited. Reservations are on a first come, first served basis.** This event is free of charge, but you must make a reservation to be sure a seat is saved for you. A donation box will be available for us to donate to Hospice for the use of their room.

**For more information, call Newcomers Vice President.**



## Quietech's Newsletter and Grass Valley Events

Quietech puts out a monthly newsletter with updates on not just computer scams, but alerts readers to all kinds of scams. If you want to be on the email list, go to [www.quietechassociates.com](http://www.quietechassociates.com), and scroll to the bottom of the page to sign up.

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Newcomers is a member of the Grass Valley Chamber of Commerce. If you would like to receive their weekly emails listing activities occurring in our community, go to their website, [grassvalleychamber.com](http://grassvalleychamber.com) and sign up.

Both of these are great resources!

## Fashion Show

April 24, 2024

“April in Paris”



This year our annual Fashion Show will be held at the lovely **Lake Wildwood Cedar Room.**

If you would like to help with the Fashion Show planning committee, please contact us.

### **A Note about Luncheon Prices**

I am sure that all of you have noticed that food prices are skyrocketing. Even eggs are up to \$6 a dozen. We have been trying very hard to get the best choices and value for your dollar at the luncheons. When you see the price we are charging, please remember that it not only includes the entrée but the beverage station (cheapest iced tea I've found is \$2.75), dessert, tax of 7.5%, and a service charge of 18-20%.

We have been fortunate that Alta Sierra has not charged us a room rental fee since we returned there in 2022. Unfortunately, that has ended, and we now will be charged a room rental fee. Both Lake of the Pines and Lake Wildwood were, and still are, charging us a room rental fee.

It is always the goal to break even on each event. Our luncheons are not meant to be profitable, but we never want to be over budget, so there is a slight cushion built in. Did you know that we bought our own tablecloths and our Newcomers President takes them home and washes them herself? That is how keen we are on giving you the best price possible.

~ Vice President

# ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

*The following groups have openings or are accepting subs*

## **Book Clubs:**

**Page Turners** (one opening)  
Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday (10:30)

**Mysteries and More** (three openings)  
Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday (1:30) Note date ch



**Hand & Foot Group** (accepting subs)

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday (12:00)

**Bridge Group** (accepting subs)  
Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday (10:30)  
Location: Trailblazers



**Garden Club** (open to all members)  
Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday (11:00)

**Short Walkers** (open to all members)  
Date: Tuesdays and Fridays (10:00)



**Girls Just Wanna Have Fun** (Fun Events)

Dates and times depend on activity.  
Contact leaders for more informatio

**Lunch Bunch** (open to all members)

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday (11:30)  
Location: Changes monthly. Contact Patricia  
for details and reservations.



## **Cooking Clubs:**

**Happy Cookers** (accepting subs)  
Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday (10:00)

**Kitchen Kutups** (two openings)  
Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (10:00)



**Gourmet Girls** (rotating guest spot available)  
Date: 1st Friday (10:30)

## **New Groups**

**Mexican Train**

4th Monday (1:00-3:00)

**Rummykub** (Rummy Tiles)

3rd Thursday (1:00)

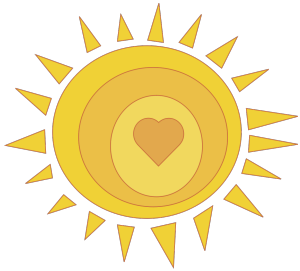
Remember, as groups fill, new ones can be added. If interested in any of the groups listed, please contact the group leader. Sign-ups can be done at luncheons, by contacting a group leader or the Activity Groups Chair.

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



## Christmas Families Project

This year the Christmas Families fundraiser will be a Newcomers yard sale held on **Saturday, September 21, 2024**. We have planned to have drop-offs of items at the March Informed Women's program and the April, May and June luncheons. We will give you additional drop-off dates later in the year. Please note that we will accept gently used items, small furniture only, jewelry, tools and small sports items. Please, no clothes or heavy items. You may check with us if you have any questions regarding items. Also, you may call to arrange a drop-off time.



## SUNSHINE

If you know someone who could use a little support or cheering up, please contact the Sunshine Chair.

## MEMBERSHIP

### It's never too late to join the Newcomers Club!

New member applications can be found on our website, <https://www.newcomersnc.org/new-member-application/>. New member applications and dues, made payable to Newcomers Club, should be sent to the Membership Chair. **Annual dues are \$35** for fiscal year 9/1/2023 – 8/31/2024.

Or, you may pay your dues electronically through Zelle. If you choose this option, send to Newcomers Treasurer. In either case, please make a note that your payment is for dues. Any questions about Zelle, contact Newcomers President or Vice President.

Also, as you send in your dues, please think about our charity, **Christmas Families Project (CFP)**. Over the years, many of you have generously added an additional \$25, \$50 or even \$100 over your dues to donate towards CFP. Anything over the stated dues amount will be marked towards a contribution to CFP. Many thanks to all our generous members!

## Contact Information

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

## Lifetime Members

Upon reaching the age of 90, a Lifetime Membership may be granted to a member who is in good standing and 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 Lifetime Member status, please contact the Membership Chair.

## New Members

So many of our new members come to our club because a friend recommends them. Keep this in mind as you socialize with your “pod group” of friends.

*Welcome* NEW MEMBERS !



## Members with March Birthdays

If you're not listed, please contact the Membership Chair to update your information.



## Important Announcements

Dear Members,

(A member) and her husband will be leaving us soon and moving to Colorado Springs to be close to her daughter and the grandchildren.

She has been a valuable member of Newcomers and made many contributions to the various committees on which she has served and activities in which she has participated. There are many members who have attended her New Member Socials over the years. She always made hosting the Social fun and welcoming.

While we will miss her presence, she can't help but celebrate the exciting new chapter on which she is about to embark.

We extend our heartfelt thanks and best wishes as you venture forth into new horizons. May your new journey be filled with the same joy, laughter and warmth that you brought to our club.

With fond memories and best wishes.

~ President, and all the Newcomers members



### Will you help?

Newcomers' leadership has worked diligently to keep luncheon costs down for our members. Our venues charge \$7-\$9 per tablecloth for each luncheon. One cost savings measure leadership initiated a year and a half ago was to purchase our own tablecloths. That purchase quickly paid for itself. While using our own tablecloths results in a costs savings for our members, they need to be laundered after each use. We are seeking a volunteer or two who are willing to do this after each of the five luncheons we have annually.

Please help us keep our costs down by offering a little bit of your time.

If interested, please contact Newcomers Vice President.