

Newcomers Club of Nevada County

A Women's Social and Philanthropic Organization



2026 Board Officers

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President's Message

Hello Ladies,

Your event coordinator has asked me to share with you some facts and figures. It seems that some members are complaining about the cost of the luncheons. Below is an example of February's menu at Alta Sierra:

Salad Bar, Rolls, Beverages and Dessert

Salad bar includes chicken, cucumbers, carrots, tomatoes, cheese, onions, eggs, mushrooms, peppers, bacon crumble, and croutons, plus three choices of salad dressings and cold beverages. Dessert is a cupcake.

Cost per person:

Salad Bar	\$24.00
Napkin:	\$.25
Coffee	\$ 1.00
Tablecloths	\$.29
Subtotal	\$25.54
Tax & Tip	\$ 7.02
Cupcake	<u>\$ 2.50</u>
TOTAL	\$35.06

As you can see, after you pay **\$34**, the club will be covering the deficit, in addition to the **\$200.00** room charge. I hope this helps you understand that we are not making any money from the luncheons.

I have just returned from the February Luncheon and am finishing this letter. The food was great, and I had so many positive comments on bingo. Ladies were laughing and having a great time. We had multiple winners, but there were just two big winners, each winning multiple games. Several ladies want to have bingo again.

Hope to see you at the March Informed Women. Make sure you get your tables together for the Fashion Show.



Newcomers Spring Fashion Show

When: April 22, 2026

Where: Lake of the Pines
Country Club

Time: Check in **11:00**
Meeting 11:30
*followed by Lunch,
plated and served*
Fashion Show 1:00

Cost: **\$45** for members
\$50 for guests

Don't miss this exciting event! Newcomers members will be modeling fabulous fashions from **Yuba Blue, J. Breuer, JCPenneys, Field Day and Whim.**

The committee is busy gathering great raffle prizes so don't forget to bring some extra cash. Information on reservations is included below, but please remember, if you don't have a Table Captain organizing your group, your seat will be assigned randomly.

Please observe the 25-mph speed limit in Lake of the Pines!! If anyone is ticketed for exceeding the speed limit, **our sponsor is responsible for paying the fine.**



Menu

CHOOSE ONE OF TWO ENTRES:

Spinach and Smoked Salmon—
with Lemon Dill Dressing, Baby Spinach,
Shaved Radish and Fennel, Cherry Tomato,
Cucumber and Pickled Red Onion,
topped with Smoked Salmon and
Fried Capers

OR

Spring Cobb Salad—
with Romaine Hearts, Watermelon Radish,
Boiled Egg, Tomato, Sliced Snap Peas,
and Avocado,
tossed with Red Wine and Shallot
Vinaigrette
and topped with Roasted Chicken

Includes Focaccia Bread
Dessert will be assorted Macaroons and
Truffles.

Beverage Station (and a "Specialty"
drink at a set price)**

**We will be having a specialty drink called a Hugo Spritz—St-Germain liqueur, Prosecco, club soda and hibiscus syrup with a sprig of mint for \$10.

To make **TABLE Reservations** for **APRIL 22, 2026**, please make your **\$45.00 check for members and \$50.00 check for guests** payable to **NEWCOMERS CLUB**. Include your menu selection and mail to the Reservations Team.



Checks must be received NO LATER THAN **MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026**. Cancellations will be accepted until 5:00 pm on **TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026**.

On **TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026**, contact the Reservations Team for cancellations or the wait list.

ZELLE payments to club treasurer. If you use Zelle, see #5 below.

Please refer to and follow the Table Reservation Policy and instructions below to complete your reservation.

Table Reservation Policy for the SPRING FASHION SHOW APRIL 22:
PLEASE FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS TO BE SEATED WITH YOUR GROUP. THERE WILL BE NO CHANGES AT CHECK IN.

To make your table reservations(s) please note:

1. All attendees will have assigned seating.
2. You may create a group from 2 to 8 people for this event. Groups of fewer than 8 will be seated with other attendees to fill a table.
3. The **Captain/ Head Person** for your group **will collect ALL the checks (made out to Newcomers Club)**. Clip the group's checks together and place in an envelope with the **completed attached form included**. Be sure to submit a menu selection for each attendee.
4. If you wish to make a single reservation, submit your check made out to Newcomers Club and drop in the FEBRUARY 25th Check Box or send to **RESERVATIONS TEAM by APRIL 13, 2026**. Make out checks for **\$45.00** for members and **\$50.00** for guests.
5. If you **Zelle** your payment, **YOU NEED TO INCLUDE YOUR CAPTAIN'S NAME AND YOUR MEAL CHOICE**. The CAPTAIN should complete the **ATTACHED FORM WITH MEAL CHOICE(S), ETC. AND EMAIL IT to Reservations Team**. Remember one (1) Captain per group, and if a person is not included on the Captain's List, they will be seated with others.
6. All attendees will be welcomed by our Reservations Team at the luncheon, and you will receive your assigned seating.
7. **REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR BADGES. IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED YOUR BADGE, YOU WILL GET IT AT THIS TIME.**

NEWCOMERS SPRING FASHION SHOW

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2026

Doors Open at 11:00 am

NAMES	EMAIL ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER	Spinach & Salmon	Spring Cobb	DIETARY NEED	ZELLE OR CHECK NO.
1. TABLE CAPTAIN						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						
7.						
8.						

Include meal choice for each attendee

Final Reservation Date: APRIL 13, 2026

\$45.00 per member, \$50.00 per non-member

Email/phone number not needed for Newcomers Members

Informed Women Series

NEWCOMERS MARCH EVENT

WHEN: March 19 at 11:30 am

WHERE: Foothills Compassionate Care (formerly Hospice of the Foothills)
11270 Rough and Ready Hwy, Grass Valley

The presentation will be **Women’s Community Healthcare Update** and will be covered by two speakers. Sandra Barrington, Executive Director of the Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital Foundation, will bring us the hospital perspective. She will be joined by Emily Turcios, Director of Patient Care Services, Foothills Compassionate Care, answering the question, “Just what is palliative care?” This program is a prescription to improve your knowledge about health care in our community.

A \$5 per person donation is suggested. Parking available on site.

To make reservations, contact Reservations Team. Space is limited, and a maximum number of attendees can be accommodated. For questions about the content of the program, contact Club Parliamentarian.

Upcoming Luncheons/Socials

MAY Luncheon—TBD

JUNE Event—**Midyear Afternoon Social**

When: **June 24** from 4 – 6 pm
Where: Lily's Garden Park in Cedar Ridge
Drinks: BYOB
Appetizers: provided by BackPorch Market
Note: Maximum capacity is 50

AUCTION UPDATE

It's not too early to start thinking about donations for our annual auction in October, which raises funds for the Christmas Families Project.

This year we will be accepting donations in the following categories:

- Activity group baskets
- Art and collectibles
- Services
- Gift certificates
- Yard art
- Accessories such as purses, jewelry, scarves and hats



When frequenting local businesses, if appropriate, ask if they might consider donating a gift certificate to our auction (salons, restaurants, retail shops, etc.).

Do you have a special skill such as baking, or other cooking gift you could offer? Might you be able to donate a timeshare or B&B vacation? Are you willing to lead a local historical tour, host a game night, teach a skill, or offer any other biddable idea?

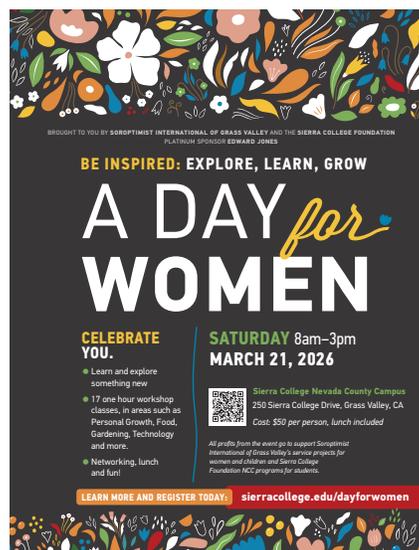
We already have a 1/2 day of fishing on Lake Englebright, 1 hour of tech support from Quietech, and a haircut and blow dry from Bella Villa Salon.

We will be posting donation drop off dates in future newsletters. Please contact Auction Chair with any questions or to volunteer to help with the auction.

Start collecting!



Please submit informative community announcements/tips to the president for board consideration.



ACTIVITY GROUPS — EXCITING UPDATES!

BOOK CLUBS

Cover Girls

Date: 2nd Wednesday (11:30)

Page Turners

Date: 3rd Wednesday (10:30)

Mysteries and More

Date: 1st Tuesday (1:30)



Garden Club

Date: 1st Tuesday (11:00)



Girls Just Wanna Have Fun

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

Adventure Gals

Dates and times depend on the activity.
Contact leader for more information.

Lunch Bunch

Date: 2nd Thursday (11:30)
Location: Changes monthly

Short Walkers

Date: TBD
Location: TBD



COOKING GROUPS

Happy Cookers

Date: 3rd Monday (10:00)

Kitchen Kutups

Date: 3rd Thursday (10:00)

Gourmet Girls

Date: 3rd Friday (10:30)



GAME GROUPS

Hand & Foot Group #1

Date: 2nd Monday (1:00)

Hand & Foot Group #2

Date: 3rd Monday (1:00)

Bridge Group

Date: 2nd Wednesday (10:30)
Location: Trailblazers Pizza, Alta Sierra Dr.

Bunco

Date: TBD
Location: TBD

Mexican Train

4th Monday (12:00-2:00)
Location: Women's Lounge, ASCC



Please welcome two new groups: **Bunco** and **Short Walkers**. Both groups are officially open for business, welcoming both new and long-time members, and preparing for their inaugural meetings. Starting a new group can feel a little daunting—I know firsthand—so please consider reaching out to Reine and Rose to offer your encouragement and support. We're also introducing a new process for groups that have member caps. These groups will now maintain a **waitlist**. *(continued on p. 7)*

ACTIVITIES UPDATE *(continued from p. 6)*

For example, if you're interested in joining a cooking group, simply contact me, and I will help place you in an available group or add you to a waitlist. Alternatively, members can always sign up for a group or join a waitlist by contacting the group leader directly. As always, if you have questions, concerns, ideas, or are interested in forming a new group, please reach out to me (Sandy Alves, Group Activities Chair, (530-613-3160), salves29.sa@gmail.com).

ACTIVITY GROUPS — FEATURE STORIES and PHOTOS

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun (GJWHF)

The “Girls Just Wanna Have Fun” group (GJWHF) has a variety of fun activities in store for 2026. If you would like to join them, please contact [the group leader](#). Here is a calendar of activities for 2026. Come join the fun! Space is limited for some events.

March 19	Lunch at Sellands Neighborhood Cafe & Bar, followed by the Museum of Science & Curiosity	August 19	Pool party in Nevada City
April 7	Early bird dinner at Grass Valley Brewery	September TBA	Off Broadstreet play in Nevada City
April 16	Crystal Hermitage Gardens in Ananda	October 6	Early bird dinner at Gold Vibe Kombuchary
May 21	Wine tasting at Ciotti Cellars in Lincoln *** All Newcomers members welcome	October 15	Tour of Old Sacramento Underground/ Museum
June 9-11	Trip to Guerneville (FULL)	November TBA	Art class at Curious Forge Arts Center
July 7	Happy hour/dinner at Maria's Mexican Restaurant	December 17	Christmas lunch at Awful Annie's restaurant in Auburn
July 16	Lunch at High-Hand Cafe in Loomis		

*** 11:30 am at Ciotti Cellars Winery - Cost \$30 - Tasting includes five wines, one port and charcuterie +15% discount on all wine purchases. Deadline to register is April 1. To register for this event, please mail your check payable to Ciotti Cellars Winery.

The Girls Just Wanna Have Fun Club (GJWHF) celebrated the holiday season with a festive luncheon at Awful Annie's restaurant in Auburn. There were games, a white elephant gift exchange, and lots of laughter.



Mexican Train Group

If you are interested, contact the group leader.

Adventure Gals

Adventure Gals Are Off to a Rocky Start

The Adventure Gals may have hit a small bump in the road, but nothing can slow this spirited group down for long! A much-anticipated Night of Improv was postponed due to illness, but the good news is it's officially back on the calendar for March. The ladies are looking forward to an evening filled with laughter, creativity, and plenty of unforgettable moments. The most exciting news is—the mountains are covered in snow! That means the adventurous ladies are heading up in the coming weeks for snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. With crisp mountain air, snowy trails, and great company, it doesn't get much better than that! Stay tuned for a full recap of what promises to be a wonderful winter adventure next month!

We are currently accepting new adventurers. If you would like to join Adventure Gals, please contact the group leader.



SUNSHINE

The Sunshine Committee is dedicated to brightening the days of members who are going through tough times by sending thoughtful, personalized cards. Whether someone is facing an illness or injury, grieving a loss, or simply needs a little encouragement, the committee's goal is to let them know they are not alone.

Do you need a ride to an upcoming appointment, or help with meals during a challenging time? Let SUNSHINE be your concierge. Send us a request.

If you know a member who would benefit from a note, please contact us with who and enough information to send an appropriate card. The Sunshine Committee works to foster a sense of connection and support within our community.

Contact the Sunshine Chair.



NEWS FOR MARCH

Membership Activity

Currently, there are **159** members.

2026 DUES: \$50 via Zelle or check (if you receive the monthly newsletter by mail, please add \$25 for handling and postage).

Pay dues by mailing a check or using Zelle; note "dues" on your payment.

Write your check to **Newcomers Club** and mail it to the club treasurer.

Lifetime Membership: Members 90+ with at least five years of continuous membership have their dues waived. If you turned 90 this year, please contact the Membership Chair

Membership Contact Information

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

