



# Newcomers Club of Nevada County

## NOVEMBER 2024



### 2024-2025 Board Officers

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### *President's Message*

*Every day is a new beginning. Take a deep breath, smile, and start again.*

~Anonymous

I will start again by reminding all of you that it takes more than just a handful of ladies to keep Newcomers a viable organization. Unfortunately, it also takes more than our dues to continue to support the Christmas Families Project. As reported last month, the Yard Sale raised about \$1500. Stacey and Ronda expect to spend \$7000 to support the children this year. Yes, we have money set aside, but it will deplete the reserve by about 50%. We need to have another fundraiser in 2025. The ever-popular Silent Auction will be back in February! We need a chairperson to oversee this event. There are several ladies who are already holding an office that will be there to help, but WE NEED A CAPTAIN FOR THIS EVENT. If we don't raise more money, we will probably have to abandon our charity in 2026.

We also need a raffle team for our luncheons. Responsibilities include shopping for raffle items, seeking donations of prizes from members and selling tickets at the luncheons. There are four luncheon raffles a year. Last month we raised \$415. Not only is it a significant and important fundraiser, but our members really enjoy winning too. PLEASE CONTACT ME IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP THE CAUSE.

A big thank you to L and K for co-chairing Event Planning. It is a very difficult job, especially with rising food and venue costs, an 18-20% service charge and a 7.5% tax. Many ideas to cut costs have been discussed, from let's just have coffee and pastries to serving boxed lunches. However, room charges will still cost \$200 to \$500 per event. These are the facts! Please let us know if you have a contact or an idea for a venue. Some have suggested that we give up the luncheons, but I don't believe our group would survive without the luncheons. Look what happened during Covid. We lost 50% of our membership. However, we are getting back to our pre-Covid size with many new members.

Sadly, as President it is my job to talk business. I thank you for listening. Enjoy the fall weather and don't forget to set your clocks back on November 3.

### **HELP!!**

**Shoppers desperately needed for CFP. See p.3 for details.**



## ***HOLIDAY BRUNCH MEETING***

*Wednesday, December 4, 2024*

*Check-in @ 9:45 AM, Meeting @ 10:30 AM, Brunch @ 10:45 AM*

*Lake Wildwood Country Club*

*\$37.00 per person*

### ***MENU***

*Eggs, Spinach, Mushroom, and Cheddar Cheese Vegetarian Frittata*

*Herb Roasted Baby Red Potatoes*

*Crisp Applewood Smoked Bacon*

*Fruit Salad*

*Mini Muffins served family style with butter*

*Specialty Cocktail will be a "Poinsettia":*

*Champagne, Orange Liqueur, Cranberry Juice, Rosemary and Cranberry garnish*

*Coffee, Tea and Iced Tea*

***Entertainment provided by the Lake Wildwood  
Women's Chorus, directed by Vicki Goss***

***Special Note About Seating:*** All seating is assigned for this event. You may reserve seating for groups of 2-8. To reserve seating for a group please choose a **"table captain"** **AND**, when making your payments, **note the name of your captain on your payment** (whether it's by check or Zelle). Individuals who do not show the name of their captain on their payment will be assigned to tables

**To pay with Zelle**, send to [newcomerscjc@gmail.com](mailto:newcomerscjc@gmail.com). Note the name of your **group captain** on your payment. If you are paying for more than yourself, also note the name of the other person(s) attending with you.

**To pay by check**, make payable to "Newcomers Club" and note the name of your **group captain** on your check. If you are paying for more than yourself, also note the name of the other person(s) attending with you.

**All payments must be received by NOVEMBER 25.** To make a reservation after that date, you may contact us, to see if there has been a cancellation. All attendees will be welcomed by our Reservations Team at the luncheon, and you will receive your name tag with your assigned seating. Transportation from the parking lot to the clubhouse will be available for your convenience.



# Christmas Families Project



Please note that **we need more shoppers for our Christmas Families Project!** If you are interested and were not at the luncheon, please contact us.

We are pleased to tell you that we will, once again, have our wrapping center at the Grace Lutheran Church on Ridge Road. CR will be contacting those of you who signed up to wrap soon. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

## ACTIVITY GROUPS



**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)



### **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)



**Girls Just Wanna Have Fun** (Open to all members)  
**Upcoming Events:**

*November 13* - Paint and Sip at the Curious Forge Arts Center  
*December 12* - Brunch at Awful Annie's in Auburn and a cookie exchange.



**Lunch Bunch** (open to all members)  
Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday (11:30)  
Location: Changes monthly

## Cooking Groups

**Happy Cookers** (accepting subs)

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday (10:00)

**Gourmet Girls** (rotating guest spot available)

Date: 1<sup>st</sup> Friday (10:30)

**Kitchen Kutups** (two openings)

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday (10:00)

## Game Groups

**Hand & Foot Group #1** (accepting subs)

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

**Hand & Foot Group #2** (one opening)

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday (1:00)

**Bridge Group** (accepting subs)

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday (10:30), Trailblazers Pizza

**Mexican Train**

4th Monday (1:00-3:00), Women's Lounge, ASCC

**Rummikub** (Rummy Tiles)

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday (2:00), Women's Lounge, ASCC

**NEW: Tripoly**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday (5:00-7:00)



## **Activity Groups Update**

- We will be organizing a second bridge group in January.
- Mahjong Group (British) is currently on HOLD.
- Bunco Group#2 needs a group leader.
- Mahjong (American) lessons are being offered
- Sign-ups for groups can be done at luncheons, or by contacting the Activity Groups Chair.
- If you have any questions, ideas or are interested in forming a new group, please contact the **Activity Groups Chair**

# INFORMED WOMEN SERIES

Wednesday, November 20, 10:00 a.m.

Foothills Compassionate Care (Hospice of the Foothills)  
270 Rough and Ready Hwy, Grass Valley, CA 95945

A panel of three speakers from the following groups will discuss services available in our area.

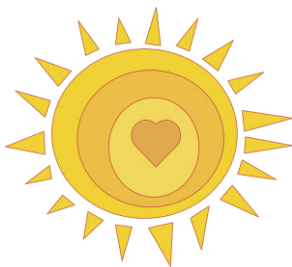
- FREED: the importance of independent living
- Senior Center: the classes and services available at the new center
- Madelyn Helling Library: the programs and services available in our county library, including checking out recreational equipment like snowshoes

## From the Parliamentarian:

Newcomers has been working on streamlining our Bylaws. We took the first step with the amendments in May and June. We changed the fiscal year to the calendar year. The next step is to make other amendments that were explained at the September meeting.

- Since we decided not to further pursue an IRS designation of 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization, the language is changed to reflect our current 501(c)(7) designation.
- Committees have been renamed as Standing and Operational.

There were no inquiries or requests for copies of the amendments. At the October meeting a vote was taken to adopt the proposed amendments.



## SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

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.

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.





## *Congratulations!*

**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 this status, please contact Membership Chair.

## *Member Renewal*

It's that time of year. Please renew your membership by the end of December. If you have any change in your contact information, please note the change on a renewal form.

Dues are **\$50** and cover the period January 2025 through December 2025.

You may mail your dues or pay your dues electronically through Zelle (the Zelle recipient is [Newcomerscjc@gmail.com](mailto:Newcomerscjc@gmail.com)). In either case, please make a note that your payment is for dues. Make checks payable to "Newcomers Club."

Applications for new members can be found on our website: [Newcomersnc.org](http://Newcomersnc.org)



## The following is a message from Bank of America

To be safe from cybercrime, do not respond to messages if

- You are contacted out of the blue
- You are pressured to act immediately
- You are asked to pay in an unusual way
- You are asked to provide personal or account information
- It seems too good to be true

If you authorize a transfer or send money there's often little that the bank can do to help recover the money. Call directly or go to your bank immediately!

## PHOTO GALLERY

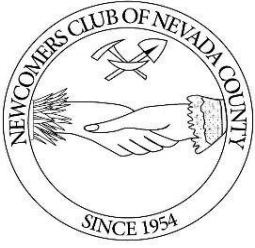


The Gourmet Girls met in September and prepared some Mediterranean dishes: Stuffed Grape Leaves, Nana's Spinach Pies, Yogurt Sauce, Baba Ghanoush and Manisha Hummus.









# Newcomers Club of Nevada County 2025 Member Renewal

*Please Print*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please update the following information if anything has changed:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (C) \_\_\_\_\_ (H) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

What do you enjoy the most about Newcomers Club?

What would you do to improve the Newcomers Club experience?

## **CHECK or ZELLE**

You may now mail your dues by check or pay your dues electronically through Zelle. Please note that your payment is for dues. If using Zelle do not use the old address. The new address is [Newcomerscj@gmail.com](mailto:Newcomerscj@gmail.com). If writing a check please make payable to **Newcomers Club** and enclose with this form.

Dues: \$50

To receive the Newsletter, if you don't have email: \$25

CFP Donation: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_