April 2019

the NEWSCOMER

CITRUS NEWCOMERS CLUB
Citrus County, Florida

≪ The President's Message ≫

The weather is warming up, flowers are beginning to bloom, crepe myrtles sprouting greenery. That reminds me of my ignorance of gardening when I first arrived in Florida. We arrived in December and my crepe myrtles were just sticks in the ground. I told my husband that we had to find a gardener soon to uproot those sticks. Thank goodness, a neighbor gave me a heads-up and told me that those sticks would turn into gorgeous flowering trees/shrubs. Our weather here is so beautiful, the only time I know that it is a different season is to look out the window and see what my crepe myrtles are doing.

Our St. Pat / St. Joe March luncheon at Royal Oaks was wonderful! If you did not attend, you missed a tremendous meal whether you chose hot or cold. Attorney Steve Weitz gave a very informative talk about "What to do before and after you lose your spouse". No, it wasn't the happiest of topics but very apropos to many of our members and eventually to all of us. A hand-out describing what to do was given to each member as they exited the luncheon. Please share this memo with your spouse, in case they need it first. We have to remember that life goes on and it is best to be prepared.

The April luncheon is our annual fashion show at Citrus Hills Country Club's Hampton Room. The chic store Chico's will host the fashions and our members will be modeling. Don't delay in securing your reservation as space is filling up. Please mail your check to our assistant treasurer, Anne Lundberg. I look forward to see you soon.

Mickey Murphy, President
Michelemurphy1110@att.net

Special Interest Groups

10,000 Dice Game:
Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Citrus Hills Auditorium in the Activity Center. Contact Jan Weaver jmweaver3@aol.com or Nancy Newman newman477@aol.com

Art Journaling **NEW!**
Simply put, an art journal is a journal in which you combine art and words to express yourself. That's it. It's not complex, and there really aren't any rules for art journaling. It's all about self-expression. You might be thinking, I'm not an artist! Well, I beg to differ. You are an artist, and you can create an art journal without drawing or sketching. In fact, I'm lousy at drawing, so I use collage techniques to express myself. Stamp images, vintage photographs and magazine images make up for the fact I can't draw. It can be messy, but is lots of fun with lots of techniques to learn. There will be an $8 fee for paint, ink, paper, art stamps, magazine images, stencils and spray ink. If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Betty Sarachik at bsarachik@gmail.com. You can also sign up at one of the luncheons.

Beading:
Our goal is to have fun and create beautiful jewelry. We will be working on restringing old beads or creating new designs. There will be different teachers sharing new techniques and they will provide a supply list if needed. Come and join us for the first Thursday or Friday for an afternoon of fun with good friends. Keep on beading! Contact Janet Bauer 249-7543 janetebauer@gmail.com

Bike It or Hike It
Events will be various Thursdays each month and one Friday during the year. Open to member/non-member/ spouse**.**
April 11 - Barge Canal, Crystal River.
Contact Kathy O'Donoghue, 425-786-6012 kathyodhome@gmail.com

Book Club:
Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at the Lakes Region Public Library, Inverness, 1:30 pm. Contact Judy Herron at 352-860-0232 for more info.

Bridge
We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in homes. We are an informal, fun group and play open bridge as many of us are just getting back into the game. Contact Judy Herron at 860-0232 jlherron2@aol.com

Bunco 2.0:
Constantly changing group, meeting 3rd Tuesday at 9:15 each month at Citrus Hills Auditorium in Activity Center. On email list contact Nancy Newman at newman477@aol.com or Pat Ellis at patmellis@mac.com

Bunco PM:
Bunco PM - We will be playing the second Thursday of the month at 3:00 pm. We play three rounds and then go out to dinner. Contact Pam Depew at 249-7031 or kerplunk498@msn.com

Equine Enthusiast Group **NEW!**
Do you enjoy the majestic beauty of horses? Have you owned a horse in the past or currently own a horse now? Would you like to share your passion for horses and learn more about the various disciplines within the equine world? This is the group for you! Please join a group of equine enthusiasts as we dig deep into our passion and visit various equine venues to watch talented horses, riders and trainers in action. From Jumping to Western Dressage, we will share our interests together. We will meet once a month. If you are interested in learning more about the group, please contact Elizabeth Gannon at 401-218-7858 or elgannon1350@gmail.com. You can also sign up at one of the luncheons.

Kayaking:
If you are interested in joining the kayakers exploring local rivers during the club year. **April 8 & 9 – Silver River at Ray Wayside Park**. This is open to Intermediate to Challenging. Contact Mary Lerman 513-4281 or marylerman409@gmai.com.

Mah Jongg:
Interested in learning to play Mah Jongg? Contact Chris Harvey 400-4961 chrisharvey70@gmail.com

Murder & Munchies:
This mystery book group meets the second Friday of most months at 1:00 pm in member homes. Contact host Sheryl Siebenborn at 341-0093 or writesheryl@yahoo.com or contact Chris Harvey 400-4961. Book/host list posted on website.

Simple Suppers
Meet in members' homes and share a meal in groups of 6 or 8. Contact Barbara Borchert @ 816-668-7306 or bdborchert12@gmail.com

Singles Group:
Meet other singles in Newcomers to attend activities, carpooling, game nights, lunches, movies & more. Contact Bonnie Groves 527-3577 or jabongro@gmail.com

Wizard Card Game:
Meet at Citrus Hills Auditorium in the Activity Center. Last Monday of each month at 1:00 pm. Contact Julie DePinto at 726-7787 or jdvango@yahoo.com

Looking for someone that would like to start up the following groups:

Basic computer
Decorating Basics
Adult coloring books
Line Dancing
Foreign languages
Photography
Stamping
Golf
Crocheting

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Visit Margaret Bush or Gail Roughgarden at the Special Interest Group area at each luncheon meeting or call a group leader for a complete description of the group and information about the next meeting or activity. Meet new friends through your special interests in our "clubs within our club."

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Luncheon Meetings

We love our luncheons!
With friends, interesting programs, and delicious food, who wants to miss one of these luncheon meetings!

Luncheon April 18, 2019
Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club
509 E. Hartford Street, Hernando, FL
DOORS OPEN AT 11:00

Cold—Chicken & Rice Soup
Club Wrap Sandwich--- Sliced Roast Turkey, Baked Ham, Bacon, American Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato and Mayo in Flour Tortilla served with Potato Salad.

Hot---House Salad
Boursain Stuffed Chicken Breast served with Mashed Potatoes and Glazed Baby Carrots

Dessert---Strawberry Cloud Cake - Coffee & Tea

GLUTEN FREE AND VEGETARIAN AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

NO SAVING SEATS PLEASE

NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED AT ANY LUNCHEON

April's Program – Style Show – Chico's Outlet
Join us for our annual Spring Fashion Show presented by Chico's in Heath Brook Mall, Ocala. Ten of our beautiful members will be showcasing spring couture to get us ready for warmer weather and summer vacations. We always have a great time at this event!

PLEASE NOTE: The Country Clubs do not allow denim to be worn. Also, we have no control of the AC, so please bring a sweater

Luncheon May 16, 2019
Van der Valk
4543 E Windmill Dr, Inverness, FL 34453
(352) 423-1656
DOORS OPEN AT 11:00

Cold---Cremini Mushroom Soup

Sicilian Salad ---Grilled Shrimp over Artisan Greens, Tomatoes, Roasted Red Peppers, Red Onion, Cucumbers, Pepperoncini, Black Olives served with Italian Vinaigrette

Hot---House Salad Ranch and Italian dressing on table.

Sliced Pork with a Mushroom Madeira Sauce with oven toasted Red Bliss Potatoes and Haricot Verts (French Green Beans)

Dessert---Blondie Sundae with Ice Cream---Coffee & Tea

Rolls & Butter on table

Make luncheon reservations by mailing your check to:

Anne Lundberg
1766 West Foxglen Ct.
Hernando, FL 34442
or
Call Anne 513-3161
for more information. She can also be contacted at lunchar11@gmail.com
Members $20 / Guests $25

Effective September 1, 2018 there will be a surcharge of $1.00 for all luncheon payments by credit card.

Checks **MUST** be made payable to:
CITRUS NEWCOMERS CLUB

Choice of meal on check. If not, you will receive a hot meal

NEW !!! Deadline for reservation is Thursday before the luncheon.

A RESERVATION EXISTS WHEN YOUR CHECK HAS BEEN RECEIVED. Cancellations may be made prior to the deadline and a full refund will be provided, but after that date, you will only receive a refund if **we can "sell" your lunch**. If, at the last minute, you find you cannot attend the lunch, call Anne Lundberg. There is the possibility she has a waiting list and will be able to "sell" your reservation.

50/50 Share the Wealth Raffle Winners

For the month of March:

Susan Hogerheide **Nancy Krebs** **Pat Crawley**

Programs for 2018 – 2019

May: Ellen Baxley, Dietician

ACTIVITIES

Attached is a list of the activities for 2019.

April:

- 4th James Museum
- 4th Dinner Bunch – Carmine's
- 10th Lunch Bunch/Crump's Landing
- 18th Luncheon
- 29th DeLeon Springs
    - Eisenhower Museum

May:

- 6th Zip / Wine
- 8th Lunch Bunch/Amy on the Avenue
- 16th Luncheon
- 22nd Dinner Bunch – Vintage on the 5th
- 25th Addams Family Musical

Activity guidelines: Always bring your checkbook to the meetings as we cannot accept charge cards or cash. Checks are always made out to Citrus County Newcomers. Sometimes we have limited access to tickets or seats. Club members are accommodated prior to guests or spouses. Last minute cancellations cannot be accommodated unless we have a waiting list but you are welcome to find your own replacement.

Thursday, April 4: James Museum – 11:00 am: We have a trip planned to the new James Museum in St. Petersburg. The Single's Group went here during the summer and we all agreed it was one of the best museums we had ever been seen. There are fabulous bronze statues with amazing details that you can't imagine can be cast in bronze, as well as other pieces of American art. Our docent will provide lots of information on the collection, including the fact that the James' family has amassed the largest collection of American art in the country. Their café is fabulous, and we'll arrange to have lunch there after the tour. The cost is $10; lunch is at your cost. Contact Susan Hnat at smhnat@yahoo.com or 746-2889.

Thursday, April 4: Dinner Bunch at Carmines – 6:00 pm: Ruth Berg has arranged for a Dinner Bunch at Carmine's in Ocala. So, you'll be enjoying Italian food in a cozy atmosphere. You can make reservations or get information by contacting Ruth at 270-8363 or ruthb421@yahoo.com. We'll need a $10 refundable check to guarantee your attendance.

Wednesday, April 10 - 12:30 pm: Lunch Bunch at Crump's Landing: Come and spend a little lunch time by the Hall's River in Homosassa. This is a unique property at 11210 W. Hall's River Road with 360 degree water views. You'll want to take visitors back! To make reservations, contact Ruth Merk at 341-1731 or rmerk8@tampabay.rr.com.

Monday, April 29, Monday: Deleon Springs State Park – 8:00 am: We're treating you to a bus trip to DeLeon Springs State Park, so we are limited to the size of the bus. **That translates to: get your reservation in early.** We will leave from the Inverness Walmart and return there at 5:00 pm. This is a 625-acre park that has walking paths, gardens, etc. We will be partaking of the Fountain of Youth Eco Heritage Boat ride through the Lake Woodruff National Wildlife Refuge and the restaurant in the original 1830's sugar mill with cook-your-own pancakes at a hibachi style table with pancakes, your choice of meats or vegan alternative, 1 egg, blueberries and a beverage. The cost will be $36, which includes the bus. Contact Bonnie Groves at jabongro@gmail.com or 352-5277 for reservations or signup at luncheons. Since this is a giveback to our members, we will only accommodate spouses and guests if our own members do not fill up the bus. In addition, guests and spouses will be charged an additional $20 to pay for the bus.

Monday, May 6: Zip the Canyon/Wine-n-Mine Wagon Tour: If you're feeling adventurous, join us at Zip the Canyon in Ocala for a five zipline tour of the canyons formed by a limestone quarry. Safety is their main objective…yours will be the view and the fun. The Zipline costs $67.40 and starts at 1:30 pm. We need at least 10 attendees to get this price. If you're looking for something a little tamer, the facility has just started a Wine-n-Mine wagon tour. This tour will include tastings of four different wines and loads of information about the area and its history. The wagon/wine tour costs $46.00 and leaves at 12:15 pm. Both tours take about 1 ½ hours. We need at least 12 people to guarantee this trip. Ruth Berg is handling these events. You can reach her at 270-8363 or ruthb421@yahoo.com to make reservations…the sooner the better.

Wednesday, May 8 – 12:30 pm: Lunch Bunch at Amy's on the Avenue: Come and spend a little lunch time in the historic district of Crystal River. If the weather is good, we'll eat in the courtyard and you can browse their unique gift shop after lunch. To make reservations, contact Ruth Merk at 341-1731 or rmerk8@tampabay.rr.com.

Wednesday, May 22: Dinner Bunch at Vintage on the 5th – 6:00 pm: Ruth Berg has arranged for a Dinner Bunch at Vintage on the 5th in Inverness. This is a restaurant with a reputation for fantastic food. You can make reservations or get information by contacting Ruth at 270-8363 or ruthb421@yahoo.com. We'll need a $10 refundable check to guarantee your attendance.

Saturday, May 25: Addams Family Musical Comedy – 2:00 pm: We'll be heading off to the Ocala Civic Theatre for a Saturday matinee of the Addams Family Musical, as made popular on Broadway. Laughs ensue as Wendy is all grown up and she brings her fiancée's family to meet the rest of the Addams. The cost is $27. There are great places to stop for dinner after the show. Contact Bonnie Groves at jabongro@gmail.com or 352-5277 for reservations or signup at luncheons.

Citrus Newcomers Club on Facebook
The Citrus Newcomers Club Facebook page is a closed group. Everyone on Facebook can see the group name and members, but only group members can see posts in the group. The site administrator must approve all requests to join. Check us out on Facebook. For more information, contact Cathy Uvanni citrusnewcomersfacebook@gmail.com.

Ladies, please share your photos with Janet Bauer, Historian/ Publicity Director at janetebauer@gmail.com, Pat Crawley, Website at crawj@aol.com.

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For pictures submitted to Publicity, be sure to include full names of people in photo, given from left to right.

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Our correspondence secretaries Carolyn Moss – 746-6455, email ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com or Peg Fowler – 527-3892, email pegfow@aol.com, would be happy to send a note to a member who is ill, recuperating, etc.

PLEASE SHARE YOUR PHOTOS

If you take pictures for the club, please post on Facebook. No need to contact Janet Bauer

Membership

We would like to receive Club Membership Renewals before the end of the Club year on May 31st, 2019. The revised application for 2019-2020 and instructions, will be available in April on our club website at citrusnewcomers.org under "Join Us." We will also have a table set up at the April and May luncheons for anyone who would like to join or renew at that time. An E-Blast was sent from Cathy Schafer with an application attached that can be filled out and either mailed or brought to the April luncheon.

The current up-to-date Membership Directory can be found on our website at www.citrusnewcomers.org under the "Meet Us" tab. The Directory requires a Password that has been previously sent out by email. If you do not have the password please contact VP Membership, Dawn Holley at dholley76@gmail.com. In addition to viewing the Membership Directory on our website, an email with an attached printable PDF of our Membership Directory will be sent out once a month

IMPORTANT: You may share the Password with current Club Members only. Our directory is not to be used to promote business in any manner.

2019 – 2020 Nominated Officers

NOMINATED OFFICERS

President:	Sharon Maxwell
VP:	Regina Keadle
VP of Luncheons:	Bunny Bucci
Asst. Luncheons:	Lisa Savitt
VP Programs:	Bonnie Groves
Asst. Programs:	Debbie Worthington
VP Membership:	Dawn Holley
Asst. Membership:	Lynn Mazzie
VP Activities:	Sherry Wilson
Asst. Activities:	Ruth Berg
Recording Secretary:	Bonnie Buesching
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Treasurer:	Olga Heineman
Asst. Treasurer:	Ann Lundberg
Corr. Secretary:	Peg Fowler
Asst. Corr. Secretary & Email Coordinator:	Cathy Schafer
Parliamentarian:	Chris Harvey

APPOINTED POSITIONS

Photographer:	Jan Bauer
Media Coordinator – Facebook/Website/ DropBox:	Cathy Uvanni
Hospitality:	Karol Little-Malece
Newsletter:	Barbara Hamerling
Special Interest:	Gail Roughgarden
Publicity & Liaison to the Chamber of Commerce:	Chris Lyman
Share the Wealth Director:	Sue Fendenheim

April 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 1:00 - Bridge	2	3	4 11:00 - James Museum 1:00 – Beading 6:00 – Dinner Bunch – Carmine's	5 1:00 - Beading	6	7
8 9:00 - Silver River at Ray Wayside Park 10:00 – Board Meeting	9 1:00 - 10,000 Dice 9:00 - Silver River at Ray Wayside Park	10 12:3- Lunch Bunch – Crump's Landing	11 9:30 – Hike It Bike It, Barge Canal, Crystal River 3:00 – Bunco PM	12 1:00 – Murder & Munchies	13	14
15 1:00 - Bridge	16 9:15 – Bunco 2.0	17	18 11:00 - Luncheon	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 1:30 – Book Club	26	27	28
29 1:00 – Wizard 8:00 – Deleon Springs State Park	30					

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