I have asked our Elected Officers to give you some insight on their lives.

Bonnie Groves

My life is driven by several principles. I’m especially riled up by bullies and I believe that I am my brother’s keeper. I try never to miss a chance to laugh, experience a new place, new author, new challenge or a new interest. Which explains my varied careers.

Most of you got a degree and followed a career in that field. I have had 6 different careers, 4 of which required differing degrees. I’ve run two small businesses based on my creative side. The other careers were more academic and included special education, focusing on mental and emotional problems, health administration, health law and politics. My final retirement was from the New Hampshire State Legislature.

While I was working, I was always involved in my community, acting in many volunteer capacities. For five years, I ran the youth athletic program for my community, served 9 years as a member of a district school board, and spent time on the boards of many state committees and non-profits. I tell everyone that I spent my life solving other people’s problems and I enjoyed every minute of it.

Did you think I forgot my personal life? I grew up in a small farming community in Pennsylvania. I married my high school sweetheart and had three great kids. Mid-forties, I married again and acquired a great guy and three neat stepsons. Three of those six have produced seven grandchildren and my two oldest grandsons have given the family three great granddaughters.

Sharon Maxwell
susette0326@gmail.com
**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 Minik jmweaver3@aol.com

**Art Journaling**
An art journal is a journal in which you combine art and words to express yourself. There will be an $8 fee for paint, ink, paper, art stamps, magazine images, stencils and spray ink. The group will meet on the **1st Wednesday for November** at my home (4225 N. Stanwyck Terrace, Beverly Hills) Contact Betty Sarachick at bsarachik@gmail.com for more information.

**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. Contact Janet Bauer 249-7543 janetebauer@gmail.com

**Bike It or Hike It**
Events will be various Thursdays each month. Open to member/non-member/spouse. **Thursday, November 21 Inverness to Floral City.** Contact Kathy O'Donoghue, 425-786-6012 kathyodhome@gmail.com

**Book Club:**
*No meeting November or December.* Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at the Lakes Region Public Library, Inverness, 1:30 pm. Contact Judy Herron at 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 lherron2@aol.com

**Bunco 2.0:**
Constantly changing group, meeting 3rd Tuesday at 9:15 each month at Citrus Hills Auditorium in Activity Center. Contact Nancy Newman at newman477@aol.com or Betty Sarachik at newcomersbuncobetty@gmail.com

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

**Kayaking:**
Our kayaking group explores local rivers with a guide during the club year. As of October, we are kayaking with Nature Coast Eco Tours at $40 per person. We usually paddle on the 3rd Monday of the month. **November 18 – Hog Island – Bushnell.** Contact Mary Lerman 513-4281 or marylerman409@gmail.com.

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

**Mah Jongg Players Group:**
*NEW!!!*
Please join our group if you know how to play Mah Jongg or have had Chris Harvey's Mah Jongg lessons, and would like to be part of a rotating group of players in different homes. Contact Pam Depew 249-7031 or kerplunk498@msn.com for more information

**Murder & Munchies:**
This mystery book group meets the second Friday of most months at 1:00 pm in member homes. Contact Chris Harvey 400-4961 chrisharvey70@gmail.com, or contact Carolyn Moss 352-746-6445 - ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com

**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:

- Decorating Basics
- Adult coloring books
- Line Dancing
- Foreign languages
- Photography
- Golf

Visit Gail Roughgarden groughgarden@hotmail.com, or Margaret Bush 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.”
We love our luncheons!
With friends, interesting programs, and delicious food, who wants to miss one of these luncheon meetings!

Luncheon November 14, 2019
BLACK DIAMOND RANCH
3125 W. Black Diamond Circle, Lecanto, FL
DOORS OPEN AT 11:00

Gourmet Salad Bar
Grilled Chicken, Romaine Lettuce Mixed Greens, Assorted Fruit, Appropriate Toppings, Assorted Cheeses—Assorted dressings
Baked Rolls
Dessert--- Chef’s choice
Coffee & Tea

GLUTEN FREE AND VEGETARIAN AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

NO SAVING SEATS PLEASE

Take Home Bags will not be allowed at any Buffet Luncheons. “Take what you can eat, eat what you take.”

November’s Program
Our November meeting will feature Kathryn Spratt from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. She’ll speak about our Gulf shores and the effects on it of hurricanes and storms, as well as some of the conservation measures which are unique to our area.

Luncheon December 5, 2019
ROYAL OAK
11220 SW 69th Cir, Ocala
DOORS OPEN AT 11:00

Garden Salad--- girls to serve
Chicken Romano
Roast Beef with a Cabernet Sauce
Garlic Roasted Red Potatoes Mashed
Orange Glazed Carrots
Rolls & Butter
Dessert - Cherry Cheese Cake---girls to serve
Coffee & Tea

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.

NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK IS ALLOWED AT ANY LUNCHEON

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.
50/50 Share the Wealth Raffle Winners

For the month of October:

Sherry Wilson  Debbie Worthington  Judy Herron

ACTIVITIES

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.

Monday, November 4: Dinner Bunch 6:30 at Craft Cuisine, 2237 SW 19th Avenue Rd. #102 in Ocala. "Ocala's NEW fusion restaurant features a wide variety of local/regionally raised meat and locally/regionally grown fruits and vegetables. They are world-inspired contemporary cuisine dining with handcrafted food and cocktails". Contact Shirene at shirenespic@gmail.com

Thursday, November 7: Imagine Museum: 1901 Central Ave St. Petersburg FL. The Imagine Museum is a new fine arts institution in the up and coming Central Arts District of St. Petersburg, FL. Its primary collection displays the explosive growth and diversification of the glass movement in America since the 1960’s, and extends to new directions in contemporary glass.

We will be touring Permanent Collection plus the 2nd floor which has a short film, Current Exhibition, Secondary Exhibition and International Collection.

We will be having a boxed meal there including a sandwich (choice of Roast Turkey, Smoked Ham, Genoa Salami, Roast Beef or Chicken Salad). Included with lunch a walnut chocolate chip cookie, choice of side (potato salad, pasta salad, coleslaw or chips) and a bottled beverage.

This venue has parking. Cost will be $30. Contact bsarahik@gmail.com.

Monday, November 11: High Tea: 11:00 am - 1:30 pm, at Royal Oaks in Ocala. This event is open to the public and fills up quickly so please sign up ASAP. The cost will be $20 (with tax and gratuity) and includes homemade soup, salad, hot entrée, fresh fruit, tea sandwiches, scones, and assorted teas and a dessert bar. Specialty drinks available at the individual’s cost. For more information contact Sherry Wilson at slb215sherry@aol.com.

There are only 6 spots left. First come gets them.

Friday, November 15th: Glass Class: Jan Bauer will be having a glass fusion class Cost: $35. Sign up at luncheon or contact Jan at citrusnewcomershistorianjb@gmail.com.

Monday, November 18 - Publix Aprons Cooking School, Tampa. This class is always a big hit. Learn new techniques and enjoy delicious food. The class will be at the Citrus Park Publix at 11:30 am.
The cost is $45 and it is open to spouses and guests. For additional information contact Pat Sherman at 270-3115 or rsherman320@tampabay.rr.com.

**Wednesday, November 20th:** The Lunch Bunch is going to *Wallace’s Greenhouse in Homosassa.* Great restaurant. If you have not tried it you will love it. Contact Pam Depew at 352-249-7031 or email kerplunk496@gmail for reservations and/or further details.

**Thursday, November 21:** Harvest Dinner – 5:00 pm - *Skyview Restaurant in Terra Vista.* Join us for a 2nd Harvest Dinner celebration which gives us a great dinner in a beautiful venue. The choices will be a 6 oz. filet, 8 oz. salmon, 10 oz NY sirloin or 10 oz. rib eye. Toppings are chef’s choice. Also included are a salad, vegetable, starch and chef’s choice of dessert. You will also receive a complimentary glass of wine or beer. Cost is $35 all-inclusive of tax and gratuity. For more information contact Sherry Wilson at slb215sherry@aol.com.

**Friday, December 6th:** *Bok Towers:* Christmas at Bok Tower Gardens. This will be a bus trip. We will be touring the Pinewood Estate decked out for Christmas, and a 1 hr. concert of Christmas music on the Carillon Bells. Stroll the Gardens at your leisure. Lunch will be at the café on your own. Price is $45. We will meet at the Inverness Walmart (near Wendy’s) at 7:45 am. For more information contact Pat Sherman 352-270-3115 or rsherman320@tampabay.rr.com.

**Wednesday, December 11th.** Appleton Museum: *A Dickens Christmas:* **This trip is full but we are taking names for a waitlist.** This exhibit presents themed trees and other holiday décor from the collection of Ocala Cardiologist Paul Urban and his family. The first floor will feature decorated trees, miniature villages, nutcracker soldiers and other items collected by the Urban family. The 2nd floor will have trees decorated by community groups and businesses. The cost is $12 and must be received by December 1st. We will then go to the Ivy house. Lunch is on your own from the full menu. For additional information contact Marcie Tuegel at Marciejoy@outlook.com.

**Friday, January 10, 2020:** *Sweeties Café: High Tea – 3:30 pm:* Join us for High Tea at Sweeties Café, 20789 Walnut Street, Dunnellon. Phone 352-216-2510. Located next to the Grumbles House this is a delightful venue. They have hats and costumes for you to use if you so desire. The menu includes scones, quiche, finger sandwiches, fruit and cheese. The tea is brewed.

Lasts about 1 ½ hrs. Please arrive no more than 10 minutes early, unless you wish to explore the Grumble House next door first.

Cost is $31.75 including tax and Gratuity.

For additional information, reservations: contact Sherry Wilson at slb215sherry@aol.com.

**Tuesday, January 14:** *Escape Room – 12:30 pm:* Shirene Thomas has arranged for us to spend an afternoon thinking our way out of Room Escape, 8470 Mayo Dr. Suite #5, Crystal River. If you haven’t experienced this, you will be placed in a room with about 6 others and you follow clues to find your way out. (They do let you out if you fail to solve the clues). This ends about 2:00 pm. The cost is $22. For additional information or reservations contact Shirene at shirenespicy@gmail.com.
Friday, January 17th Show Palace Dinner Theater: Million Dollar Quartet – 6:00 pm: The theater is located at 16128 US Highway 19, Hudson FL. The Tony Award Winning musical, Million Dollar Quartet is set on December 4th, 1956, when an extraordinary twist of fate brought Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Elvis Presley together at Sun Records in Memphis for what would be one of the greatest jam sessions ever.

Before the show there is an all you can eat buffet. Dinner service starts at 6:15 pm. Show starts at 7:30 pm.

This is a self-drive trip and husbands are welcome. The cost is $65 per person including dinner, show and all fees. If you desire to leave your server a gratuity that is not included.

We only have 29 tickets so get your reservation in soon. Contact Sherry Wilson slb215sherry@aol.com.

Saturday, February 15th: Reilly Art Center Theater at 3:00 pm. A concert of epic Hollywood proportions to celebrate John Williams’ 88th birthday! The Ocala Symphony Orchestra plays the very best of John Williams’ amazing movie scores side by side with images and clips from some of the most endearing films of our time! Cost $25 to $28. Contact Carolyn Moss for further information.
ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com.

Friday, February 28th: Tampa Bay Downs. Carolyn Moss is planning our annual trip to the ever-popular Tampa Bay Downs. The cost is $24 per person and includes prime seats and a fantastic lunch buffet. We are limited on our number of seats available so sign up early. This is self-drive event as people stay for different lengths of time. You will be meeting the group at the Downs at 11:00 am. If you need a ride let Carolyn know. For information or reservations Carolyn can be reached at 746-6445 or ckmoss@tampabay.rr.com.
PLEASE SHARE YOUR PHOTOS

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

Membership

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 of Membership, Dawn Holley at dholley76@gmail.com.

In addition to viewing the Membership Directory on our website, an email with an attached PDF of our Membership Directory, that can be downloaded and printed, will be sent out once a month.

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

Please welcome our new members when you see them at our luncheons and activities.

Bonnie Verlato       Linda Grant       Lynise Hensel
Peggy Christensen    Sherry Smith     Bobbie Grant
Nini Bermudez-Webb   Helen Parker     Lin Bryant