

## **May 2023**

# 16 NEWSCOMER



## **CITRUS NEWCOMERS CLUB**

## ≪ The President's Message ≫

Last week was an extremely busy one, with lots of appointments and events. However, I got to spend almost every night with groups of women. It was a total delight. The topics of conversation covered a lot of different subjects and we got to laugh a lot. Women are wonderful, intelligent people.

One husband who went on an earlier bus trip with Newcomers remarked that the members never stopped talking. That's my favorite trait of women. There never seems to be a topic off limits and many differing opinions. We find topics in movies, books, the front pages and the foibles of life.

One topic that is looming large for Citrus County is all of the commercial and residential development. We're all wondering what the growth will bring, besides traffic. For us at Newcomers, we may be looking at a large growth in the upcoming years, or, maybe not. For those of you who are new to the county, Lecanto was incorporated in the 40's, never to be developed until the plans for 2023 onward. When I moved here in 2005, everyone used to ask, "Exactly where is Lecanto?" Now, it is planned that Lecanto will be the shopping network of the county.

Dunnellon was a boomtown prior to WWI.. Today, it is a fairly small town and phosphate mining is a thing of the past. Citrus Springs started with a boom, had no progress for many decades, was in the hands of shysters for a while, and is finally having a resurgence. I visited an area this weekend that is about a fifth of the way built out and nearly all of the houses have been built within the last 5 years. I remember visiting the same site before my husband died 13 years ago. It apparently sat undeveloped for all those years.

So, I will believe the present hype when I see it. This area has a "boom and bust" history and so has the real estate market in general. So, let's wait and see where the next few years take us and we'll deal with it along the way. Presidents of this group will be writing, "Please help me to welcome our new members," for many years to come.

Christine Alte Maryann Bastura Cathy Briatta Louise Bussiere Toni Contursi Roberta Dunlop E. Pat Fischer
Becky Gardner
Del Gillespie
Maggie Goddard
Sharri Gray
Catherine Guillarmod

Carolyn Kilduff Monica Krause Jeanne March Kathleen Messina Marcia Miladinov Karen Pape Gina Salling Marilyn Snell-Brown Jo-Ann Soules Cherri Underwood Bonnett Washington

Bonnie Groves President jabongro@gmail.com

ACTIVITY	DATE	CONTACT	COST
10,000 Dice Game	First Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm. at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.	Jan Minik imweaver3@aol.com 352-513-4189	\$5.00 Per Person
Beading & Jewelry	First Thursday or Friday of the month.	Janet Bauer <u>Janetebauer@gmail.com</u> 352-249-7543	\$2.00
Bike It or Walk It		Michelle Seith Seithmic3@yahoo.com 301-335 0866	Cancelled for rest of year
CCNC Book Club	Meets the fourth Thursday of each month at the Lakes Regional Library at 1:30 in Inverness	Judy Herron 352-860-0232	
Jewelry Design ( <mark>New</mark> )		Barbara McKinnon nailtech91@gmail.com 602-463-3368	Limited Class Size
Bunco 2.0	Meets on the 3rd Tuesday each month at 10:00-12:00 at Central Citrus Community Center.	Carolyn Robertson <u>cncbunco@gmail.com</u> 352-249-6215	
Bunco Afternoon	We play three rounds on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 3:00 pm in various homes.	Pam Depew Kerplunk498@msn.com 352-249-7031	
Kayaking	Please see location in back of newsletter	Lina Argote Linacpa@tampabay.rr.com 954-551-0123	Cost is \$50.00 dollars per trip, and we provide the kayak. If you have your own kayak the fee is \$20.00 per trip.
Mahjong Players	We meet on the 2nd and last Monday of the month in Pam Depew's Citrus Hills home.	Pam Depew Kerplunk498@msn.com 352-249-7031 For lesson contact Chris Harvey at chrisharvey70@gmail.com	
Murders & Munchies Book Club	We meet the second Friday of the month from 1:00 - 2:00 pm in member's homes	Carolyn Moss <u>ckmoss43@gmail.com</u> 352-746-6445	
Murders & Munchies Book Club II	Meeting first Thursday, of the month from 1-3 pm.	Marilyn Felmer, Secretary, marilynfelmer861@gmail.com	
Wine and Dine Book Club ( <mark>New</mark> )	Meet on the first Thursday of the month at 4:00 in member's homes	Michelle Seith Seithmic3@yahoo.com 301-335-0866	
Simple Suppers (Couples)	An evening of food and fun! In groups of 3/4 per group, rotating monthly.	Cyndi Sheftel Cyndiksheftel@gmail.com 860-316-5481	
Singles Group	Meet Newcomers to attend activities, game nights, lunches and more.	Bonnie Groves <u>Jabongro@gmail.com</u> 352-527-3577	
Gardening Club ( <mark>New</mark> )	We will meet at Lori's Citrus Hills home or take trips to specified spots.	Lori Priselac LWP7438@gmail.com 352-586-2828	
Mexican Train (New) Day	Mexican Train is a fun dominos game. People who love strategy will love this game.	Barbara Fincher Brfincher53@gmail.com 615-406-4598	
Mexican Train (New) Couples Night	Mexican Train is a fun dominos game. People who love strategy will love this game.	Linda Belanger <u>Lindab-jewels@sbcglobal.net</u> 860-518-1613	Pending

**Special Interest Coordinators** 

rs Lori Priselac LWP7438@gmail.com 352-586-2828 Marcia Schunemann Marciaschunemann@aol.com 845-224-4042

## **Luncheon Meetings**

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

Please, no denim and you may want to bring a sweater. No outside food or beverages are allowed.

## May Luncheon (Last for the Year) Thursday May 18, 2023

#### **Royal Oaks**

Palm Room – Ballroom 11220 SW 69th Circle Ocala, FL

**DOORS OPEN AT 11:00** 

Sign Up Deadline - 5/11/23 By 4 PM

Cost \$28 / \$33

#### Hot Meal:

Mixed Salad Roast Beef w/ Cabernet Sauce w/ Mashed Potatoes & Vegetable Medley

#### **Cold Meal:**

Cup of Minestrone Soup Chicken Strawberry Salad with Feta Cheese

Rolls w/ Butter

Dessert - Brownie with Ice Cream and Fudge Sauce

Beverage Bar - Coffee & Ice Tea, Water

Coffee. Sweet & Unsweet Ice Tea. Water

#### **PAYMENT REMINDER**

Checks must be made payable to:

CITRUS NEWCOMERS CLUB or CNC – The check must include the name of the person attending the luncheon. If paying for an additional member/guest, please provide their name on the memo line. Also, please designate your choice of cold or hot food, as well as any special dietary requirements.

#### May - Members \$28, Guests \$33

Mail your check to:

Joanie Cellana 2141 N. Heritage Oaks Path Hernando, FL. 34442 727-804-7830

For more information contact jcellana@msn.com

A reservation exists when your check has been received. Cancellations - May be made by the Thursday prior to the luncheon date. Your check will be returned to you or voided. If a cancellation is made after the deadline date you will forfeit your luncheon payment unless there is a waiting list and we are able to sell your reservation seat. For last minute cancellations please call Joan Cellana at 727-804-7830. Please do not send a friend in your place. Your meal is not transferrable. No-Shows will forfeit luncheon payments and meals. Walk-ins are not allowed. We cannot guarantee you a seat.

## **May Luncheon**

We're holding our **Women's Health and Wellness Expo**. We all want to feel great and look even better, in spite of the passing years. Local vendors will be on site, providing vital information on women's health and beauty services. Each vendor brings a different perspective on how to stay well and re-imagine aging. As you visit the various tables, you'll be on your way to becoming your best self!

### **ACTIVITIES**

You must pay by check, made out to CNC (Citrus Newcomers Club.) You do not have a reservation until your check is received. There will be a sign-up table at all luncheons and details of activities will be listed in the monthly newsletter, or sent out by e-blast, so you can sign up by mail. Members are accommodated before guests. No refunds if cancelling after the deadline date. Lunch and Dinner Bunch participants must deposit a \$10.00 check, refundable if they attend.

## If carpooling - SHARE THE RIDE, SHARE THE COST

ACTIVITY	DATE	CONTACT	COST	COMMENTS
Dinner Bunch	Wednesday, May 10th 6:00 PM	Eileen Schweitzer Bulldogger_99@yahoo.com		Backwater Fins in Yankeetown
Sangria University	Thursday, May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Greco Bgreco519@gmail.com	\$100	SOLD OUT
Starlight Yacht Cruise	Tuesday, May 16 <sup>th</sup>	Barbara Greco Bgreco519@gmail.com	\$105	SOLD OUT
Lunch Bunch	Wednesday, May 17th 12:30 PM	Ruthie Merk Rmerk8@tampabay.rr.com		Wallace's Green House
Hang Gliding	May 24	Barbara Greco Bgreco519@gmail.com	\$175. 00	Self-drive to Orlando

### **Kayaking Schedule for the Year**

DateTimePlanned Launch SiteRatingMonday, May 15, 20239:00 amYankeetown Ramp – Bennet CreekI/CMonday, June 19, 20239:00 amHog Island Boat Ramp, BushnellB/I

River Rating: B=Beginner I= Intermediate C= Challenging

Contact Lina Argote for more info or to request an outing linacpa@tampabay.rr.com

Mobile: 954-551-0123

Here are your nominated officers and appointed positions (by acclamation) For 2023 – 2024

### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

**President**: Bonnie Groves

**VP:** Regina Keadle

**VP of Luncheons:** Cyndi Sheftel

**Asst. Luncheons:** Lori Priselac

**VP Programs:** Barbara Greco

Asst. Programs: Nancy Harney

**VP Membership:** Lori Miller

**Asst. Membership:** Linda Todd

**VP Activities:** Mary Murphy

Asst. Activities: Donna Dominic

**Recording Secretary:** Karen Goodall

Asst. Recording Secretary: Sharon Reiber

Treasurer: Olga Heineman

**Asst. Treasurer:** Joan Cellana

**VP Corr. Secretary:** Jackie Moore

**Asst. Corr. Secretary** Cathy Schafer

Parliamentarian: Sherry Funk

#### **APPOINTED POSITIONS**

Photographer/Historian: Jan Bauer

Media Coordinator – Facebook/Website/

**Drop Box:** Cathy Uvanni

**Newsletter:** Barbara Hamerling

Special Interest: Linda Belanger

Gloria Frank

**Publicity** Chris Lyman

Share the Wealth Peg Fowler

#### PLEASE SHARE YOUR PHOTOS

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



### **MEMBERSHIP**

Our membership form for the 2023-2024 membership year is available on our website at <a href="https://www.citrusnewcomers.org">www.citrusnewcomers.org</a> under the "Join" tab. If the form still shows 2022-2023, please change to 2023-2024.

Also, you can view the up-to-date Membership Directory 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 Membership VP Cathy Schafer at <a href="mailto:catschafer@gmail.com">catschafer@gmail.com</a>. In addition to viewing the Membership Directory on our website, a printable PDF of our directory is emailed to members once a month. IMPORTANT: Please share the Password with current Club Members only. Our directory is not be used for other organizations, businesses, or solicitation purposes

#### 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 at <a href="mailto:citrusnewcomersfacebook@gmail.com">citrusnewcomersfacebook@gmail.com</a>

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Please contact Peg Fowler, our assistant corresponding secretary, at (352) 527-3892 or pegfow@aol.com, if you know of a member who is ill, recuperating, etc.

Peg would be happy to send them a card from the club.

**Getting started on Facebook** may seem daunting at first but it is actually a very simple process. Like most social networking sites, Facebook asks its users to create a user profile to join. This is entirely free and can contain as little or as much information as you want. Once you have created your profile you can also adjust the privacy settings to specify what details you want to be made public.

## How to join Facebook:

First find the Facebook sign up page by opening up your browser and typing in the URL <a href="https://www.facebook.com">www.facebook.com</a> When you arrive at the Facebook sign up page you will find the sign-up area for a new account. Type in the appropriate areas your name (some include their maiden names so others from their past may be able to find them easier), email address or mobile phone number and create a password. Click sign up.

To finish <u>creating an account</u>, you need to confirm that you own the email or mobile phone number that you used to create the account:

- To confirm your mobile number, enter the code you get via text message (SMS) in the **Confirm** box that shows up when you log in.
- To confirm your email, click or tap the link in the email you got when you created the account.

Facebook will suggest people it thinks you may know and give you a list with profile photos so you can recognize them. If you would like to connect with someone on this list, click on the Add Friend button, this will send a Friend Request to them – it is their choice whether or not to accept your request.

To add a friend yourself: Click the search bar at the top of the page. Type your friend's name in the search bar and click. To send someone a friend request, click Add Friend next to their profile picture.

To accept a friend request: Let's say that someone that knows you saw your name when they did a search and saw you have a Facebook account. They will send you a request that will show up in the top right-hand corner of your page. When you click on this, it will show you who is asking to be your friend on Facebook. If you know this person and want to accept, click "Confirm" otherwise you can block or delete the request.

To find out how to add a profile photo, cover photo or set your privacy settings go to <a href="www.facebook.com/help">www.facebook.com/help</a>. You should be able to find any information on how to set up your account on this page.

In order to become a member on the **Citrus Newcomers Club** group page you first do a search in the search bar for Citrus Newcomers Club group page. It is the symbol with the Heron. Once you have located the page click the "Join" button and a request will be sent to my email address. Once I review the request, I will approve your request and you will be able to view other members posts and view what is happening at Citrus Newcomers through photos and informative information.

If you have any questions or need help do not hesitate to contact me at my email <a href="mailto:citrusnewcomersfacebook@gmail.com">citrusnewcomersfacebook@gmail.com</a> or call me at 813-391-6066. Hope to see you on Facebook!

Cathy Uvanni – Facebook Administrator