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NEWSLETTER



VICTORIAN CHRISTMAS TEA



DATE: Thursday, December 10, 2020

TIME: 12 noon – 2:00 pm **PLACE:** Hillcrest Manor Bed and Breakfast

1632 South Court Street Montgomery, AL 36104 334-264-8253 **COST:** \$20.00 per person – **PAYMENT IN ADVANCE** NO REFUNDS after November 26,

2020 PAYMENT: Make checks payable to NEWCOMERS CLUB OF MONTGOMERY

Mail checks to: Tara Carter 1480 South Perry Street Montgomery, AL 36104

MENU: Scones with Devon Shire cream, lemon curd and jam, soup course, 3-tiered tray with 3 savories and 2 desserts and of course tea.

ATTIRE: Everyone is encouraged to dress up in holiday colors and wear a HAT. Gloves optional.

RSVP: Tara Carter – taralbcarter@gmail.com or 334-224-6479. Hillcrest can accommodate 36 people for this event. The tables will be separated for social distancing. There will be tables seating 2, 3, and 4 people. If more people are interested, another date will be added.

WHAT TO BRING: Please bring an unwrapped toy to donate to TOYS FOR TOTS charity

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Happy Birthday to our December Babies!

Hope Inman	12/3	Rona Reder	12/24
Suzanne Lowry	12/10	Ellen Clute	12/25
Karen Baumgardner	12/18	Debra Willis	12/27
Edna States	12/19	Shirley Nance	12/29

Friendship News

Contact: Deborah Dias at debdias@aol.com or (510)221-8500

Newcomers of Montgomery 10/29/20 Luncheon Minutes

Welcome and Meeting was called to order at Noon by Edna States, VP of Programs. The Activity Chairs were asked to stand. Chaplain Janine Koslofsky shared a reading about antidotes to a Very Bad Day and led the Pledge of Allegiance. October Birthdays were acknowledged. There were no Minutes or Treasurers report provided from the many, many months ago when we held the last luncheon. Blessing and Lunch on the outdoor patio of Itta Bena Restaurant inside the Montgomery Wind Creek Casino. The original invited speaker was unable to make it. Upon hearing that the speaker was to provide a presentation on Financial Planning, Connie Morrow-Carraway, of New York Life graciously offered to stand in and provided a very informative presentation on the benefits and different types of Life Insurance. After her presentation, she was presented with a rose. The Upcoming event was announced: December 10th –Victorian Christmas Tea at Hillcrest Manor Bed and Breakfast. Nametags were pulled, and Halloween related Door prizes were distributed. The Program VP asked for a volunteer to take over charge of the door prizes, and for members to solicit future door prizes if possible. There was no 50/50 drawing. Meeting was adjourned at 1:25pm.





Message from the President

Dear Members,

The holiday season is right around the corner. Have you noticed decorations going up earlier this year and Black Friday sales are now going on? This is the time to be thankful for our blessings and enjoy the little things that make the holidays so special.

In the spirit of giving there are two topics I'd like to mention.

The Club received a letter from Montgomery Area Council on Aging (MACOA) thanking us for donating to their 2019 Christmas/Holiday Bag Program. This year the need is even greater for the 450 senior citizens who receive these gifts.

In addition to specific food items, hats, gloves and tissues are needed. Also, monetary donations are welcomed and perhaps the most convenient way to give. Please contact Traci Herndon (MACOA Christmas Bag Co-Coordinator) at 334-263-0532 or therndon@macoa.org about specific food donations, deadlines and other info.

All members who made a reservation for The Victorian Christmas Tea on December 10th are asked to bring an unwrapped toy for donation to the Toys for Tots Charity. Hillcrest Manor Bed and Breakfast in Montgomery is the location for this special event. The deadline for making a reservation and payment is November 26th. Contact Tara Carter at taralbcarter@gmail.com or 334-224-6479. There will not be a luncheon meeting in December.

A very special "thank you" to Vivian Ordonio for her dedication to organizing and updating the 2020-2021 Directory for us.

There are a few elves at work addressing and mailing them out this week.

Also, I would like to say thank you to Tara Carter, our Social Vice-President, for organizing a wonderful Brunch at Stoney Brook last month.

Our first luncheon meeting was at Itta Bena Restaurant and despite the weather the night before was well attended. Compliments were flowing for the delicious food and for the substitute speaker and fellow member Connie Carraway.

On January 28th, 2021 we are planning on returning to Itta Bena for our indoor luncheon meeting. Of course, this is tentative as we see how the pandemic has affected the city after the holidays and if there are any new guidelines in place. The cost is \$20 which MUST be paid in advance since no payments can be accepted at the door. Irene Wetzel, our Membership Co-Chair, is the contact person and her phone nr is 661-972-1334. The guest speaker is Steven Reid, the mayor of Montgomery.

Hopefully with a vaccine on the horizon we can look forward to seeing each other again soon. Thank you all for your patience this past year and sharing your thoughts and concerns with me. I wish everyone a happy healthy holiday.

Sincerely,
Camille Ross
President

September 2020 Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance	\$ 3,668.35
Income (2020 Dues)	\$ 45.00
Total Income	\$ 45.00
Expenses	
(D. Dias ck # 3063 copy/ mailing Aug./Sep newsletter, stamps & labels)	\$ 109.45
(C. Preston ck #3064 Purchase Robert's Rule of Law)	\$ 19.48
Total Expenses	\$ 128.93
Ending Balance	\$ 3,584.42

Activity Groups

Please contact Camille Ross at (334) 220-8544 with your questions about chairing one of the following Activity Groups: Cooking Club, Movie Mavens and Explorers/Walking Club. We need you! The following groups will begin meeting in 2021: Arts & Crafts, Bunco, Lunch Bunch and Restaurant Night Out.

Be sure to contact the group leader if you are interested in participating in the event.

Movie Mavens

The movie theaters are not open at this time
When they do, we would like to have a member
offer to lead this relaxing activity

Join us the 3rd Tuesday of each month for a matinee movie.

Eating popcorn during the movie is optional and friends are
always welcome.

Book Club

Rona Reder – 334-358-8088

ronareder@hotmail.com

A lively discussion of the book selection of the month is held the
2nd Tuesday of each month at 10:00 am at members' homes

Bowling Club Ildi Andrews (334) 538-6014 email: ildibee@charter.net

11 AM: meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at Bowlero
Montgomery at 1661 Eastern Blvd. The rink maintains a sanitized facility to
include temperature check for their staff, sanitized balls and shoes,
disinfectant wipes, and capacity is monitored. We'll be wearing face masks
and will bowl 4 to a lane. It's a large, clean facility with low crowd on a
Monday morning.

ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB Camille Ross - (334) 220-8544 Email:

bookworm1101@gmail.com. Come and make a craft while enjoying
great

company or just come to chat. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of the
Month from 10 am to 12 noon with lunch out afterwards! There is a different
Sign up activity monthly with payment up front. Any questions, call me.

Cooking Club

Perhaps we could meet outside for a patio themed cooking event.
Please contact us to chair this fun group.

Join us for fun, food, and friendship. We pick a theme each month and bring
our recipe and dish to share. It's a chance to taste different food and get to
know each other better. We meet at 11:30 the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Bunco Club

Irene Wetzel – 661-972-
1334

ijwetzel@msn.com

Join us every 4th Monday of the month
for a fun game from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.
The cost is \$5.00 per person

Lunch Bunch

Kate Blanton (504)606-7071

kdutreil@yahoo.com

Come and meet other Newcomers as we enjoy lunch
together in a Montgomery area restaurants. We
meet the 3rd Friday of the month.

Restaurant Night Out

Cynthia Russell (603)490-5390

Russell.Cynthia98@yahoo.com

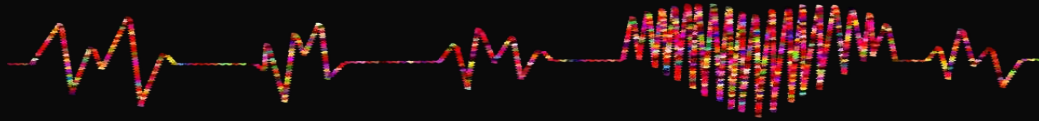
Couples, singles, and friends enjoy dinner out at a local
restaurant the 2nd Saturday of the month at 6:00 pm from
September through May

TGIF Michelle Negro, [344-544-1984](tel:344-544-1984) landline, no
texts. michellenegro@yahoo.com. Please join us the first Friday of
each month at 6:30 pm for an enjoyable evening of eating, drinking
and talking. Spouses welcome. Each member should bring a dish to
share and BYOB. Hostesses provide non-alcoholic drinks, plates,
utensils/etc. If you are interested in attending and did not sign up at
the beginning of the year, please email me or call and I will add you
to the TGIF email list for further details.

EXPLORERS CLUB

There is interest in “exploring” different parks &
neighborhoods by way of a Walking Group. We do need a
member to offer to chair this group.

If you like to get out and try new things, visit new places
and have fun, this club is for you.



December 2020



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

		1	2 Bowling 11:00 Bowlero	3	4	5
6	7	8 Book Club 10 AM Hostess: Michelle Negro "A Christmas Memory" by Truman Capote	9 Zoom Book Club at 10:30 Contact Mary Lou Stevenson	10 Victorian Tea 12 to 2pm Hillcrest Manor Hanukkah begins	11	12
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20	21 Start of Winter (Winter Solstice)	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas No Luncheon	26
27	28	29	30	31		



"TGIF hostesses needed, please contact michellenegro@yahoo.com if you wish to volunteer. Thus far we have the following months open: January, April and May. "Thank you to those who have already signed up: Olga Aldridge for February, and Bobbi McAdams for March."

2020 – 2021 Door Prize Sponsors

[Thank you for your generous support](#)

**Alabama Dance Theatre	Pamela Swan	625-2590	P.O. Box 11327-36111
Know the Community	Pam Mashburn	578-7810	7956 Vaughn Rd, 36116
**Montgomery Symphony	Sherry Culver	240-4004	507 Columbus St. 36104
Rjver Region Dermatology & Laser	Kimberlin Love	676-3360	2060 Berryhill Rd, 36117
Wine and Design	Monica Virgil	718-5501	7732 Eastchase Pkway 36117

****Depending upon space after meeting Pandemic Guidelines.**

Members: Remember to please support our club and door prize local sponsors for their gracious giving to Newcomers.





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