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NEWSLETTER



COME JOIN US FOR THE FIRST LUNCHEON OF 2021

Date: Thursday April 22, 2021 Place: Itta Bena Restaurant in Wind Creek Montgomery outdoor patio with covered seating)

Time: 11:30am - 1:30 pm COST: \$20.00

THE MENU CHOICES

#1 Slow Simmered Chicken Cacciatore over Pasta
#2 Itta Bena House Salad w/Grilled Shrimp
#3 Feta Chicken Bake w/Couscous and Spinach
Includes a choice of beverage, Sister Shubert's rolls and dessert.
This is a plated luncheon and NOT a buffet.
MASKS ARE REQUIRED and social distancing guidelines followed.

Call Irene Wetzel (661) 972-1334 to RESERVE A SEAT and PAY IN ADVANCE.

SORRY BUT NO PAYMENTS ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR due to Covid-19.

The deadline to pay is April 15th. Please make checks payable to: Newcomers Club of Montgomery.

Mail to: Newcomers Club of Montgomery P. O. Box 241946 Montgomery AL 36124-1946.

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Our guest speaker will be Janine Koslofsky, former President of the Newcomers Club 2009-2010 and currently our Chaplain. Among her many interests Janine loves Gardening and Birding and is the former President of the Capital City Master Gardeners Association.

Her talk will cover Birding and what to plant in the garden to attract them, the best feed and what to look for when observing them in their natural habitat.

"BE SURE TO BRING A FRIEND!"

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Happy Birthday to our April Babies!

Claudia Graham	4/2	Maria Engleson	4/9	
Jackie St Clair	4/3	Janet Beard	4/19	
Alexandra Wong-Iofreda	4/4	Eura Owens	4/21	
Dawn Wiggins	4/5	Emerine Sweeney	4/21	
Janet Williamson	4/5	Carolyn Preston	4/22	
Patricia Roberts 4/7				

Friendship News

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

We are saddened by the loss of our member and friend Cleo Blucert who passed away in February. Donations can be made to the Humane Society in her memory.

Condolences to Patricia Roberts who recently lost her Mother.



Message from the President

Dear Friends,

It's been a long year dealing with the pandemic...but Spring has officially arrived! Fresh air, sun, trees. Nature can have strong healing powers according to some studies. Now is an ideal time to take a break from all the Covid news and seek the benefits of nature. Being outdoors can benefit all of us in several ways:

- It improves focus. Join **Book Club on Tuesday April 13**th for a lively discussion on the latest book. Zoom Book Club meets **Wednesday April 14**th. Contact Rona Reder 358-8088.
- It lowers blood pressure and reduces stress. Come join the Explorers/Walking Group on Thursday April 15th at 10am at my home in Halcyon Summit and BRING A FRIEND. We'll walk around the gazebo, feed the ducks and enjoy the scenery. Call me at 334-220-8544.
- Improves mood. Join **TGIF on Friday April 16**th **at 6:30pm** for an informal outdoor get together. Contact Michelle Negro at 544-1984 for details.

Bring a friend and be part of the fun at our **first luncheon meeting** of the year, outdoors, at Itta Bena Restaurant on **Thursday April 22**nd. Contact Irene Wetzel 661-972-1334 for the <u>required reservation</u>, prepayment and entrée choice.

Be sure and put these dates on your calendar!

WE NOW HAVE A FACEBOOK PAGE: **Newcomers Club of Montgomery, Inc.** Please check it out and click on the "thumbs up" Like icon on the right side so you can check and see "what's up" in the Club.

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at these upcoming events and to reconnect after all these months. :)

Sincerely, Camille Ross President 2020-2021

January 2020 Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance		\$ 3,047.62	
Total Income		0.00	
Expenses			
S. Buchanan (ck # 3072, reimbursed for cancelled luncheon)	\$	20.00	
C. Sundberg (ck # 3073, reimbursed for cancelled luncheon)		20.00	
Total Expenses	\$	40.00	
Ending Balance	\$ 3	,007.62	



The Newcomers Club announces our first social event of 2021

"CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA"

Come join us Wednesday May 5th at 11:30am for a fun afternoon with delicious food, special prizes and exceptional company...our fellow members!

We are returning to the picturesque STONEYBROOKE OUTDOOR PAVILION

located in the Stoneybrooke neighborhood on Stoneybrooke Way. Stoneybrooke Way is the street entrance of the neighborhood right after you pass Alabama Heritage Building on Old Atlanta Hwy.

*Bring your favorite dish and invite a friend!

Be sure and RSVP to Tara Carter/Social VP 334-224-6479 or taralbcarter@gmail.com

Activity Groups

<u>Please contact Camille Ross at (334) 220-8544 with your questions about chairing one of the following Activity Groups:</u>
<u>Cooking Club, Movie Mavens and Explorers/Walking Club. We need you!</u> 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

<u>Bowling Club</u> We need someone to chair this Activity. Please notify Camille Ross if interested.

ARTS & CRAFTS CLUB Camille Ross - (334) 220-8544 Email: bookwrm1101@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 Sigh 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 2^{nd} Thursday of each month.

Lunch Bunch

We need someone to volunteer to chair this activity.

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 our at a local restaurant the 2nd Saturday of the month at 6:00 pm from September through May

TGIF Michelle Negro, 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.

Bunco Club

Irene Wetzel – 661-972-1334 <u>ijwetzel@msn.com</u> 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

April 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Board Meeting April Fools Day	2 Good Friday	3
4 Easter Sunday	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	Book Club 10 AM Hostess Donna Robbins "Waiting For Snow in Havana" by Carlos Eire	Zoom Book Club 10:30 Contact Mary Lou Stevenson for more info	15 Explorers/Walking Club 10 AM Meet at Camille Ross's House	16 TGIF 6:30 PM HOSTESS: OLGA ALDRIDGE	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

Due to the Easter weekend and other scheduling conflicts, TGIF for April will take place on the 3rd Friday of April, the 16th. Same time 6:30. It will be held outside weather permitting at Olga Aldridge's home. May TGIF will be at Michelle Negro's, also outside weather permitting.



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
River Region Dermatology & Laser	Kimberlin Love	676-3360	2060 Berryhill Rd, 36117
Wine and Design	Monica Virgil	718-5501	7732 Eastchase Pkway 36117
Rosa Parks Library & Museum	Donna Beisel	241-8615	252 Montgomery St 36104
The MGM Collective (hair salon)	Sarrita Salyer/Emily Shanks	593-8760	7715 Averiett Dr 36116

^{**}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.

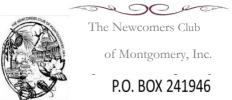
MAY 2021 LUNCHEON

Our annual "Mad Hatter" activity will be the program for our luncheon meeting on Thursday, May 27th along with the Installation of Officers.

The "Mad Hatter" event is a contest in which all members are encouraged to participate. All you need to do is design the hat "Mad Hatter" brings to your mind, wear it to the meeting and you could win a prize!

We will ask the staff at ACC to judge and prizes will be awarded in the categories of "Best Original", "Whimsical", and "Vintage". A fun time for all!





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