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NEWSLETTER



NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Nominating committee members, Chairman Sandy Buchanan, Rona Reder, and Diane Widmer were chosen to select a slate of officers for the 2021-2022 Board. Diane Widmer notified Newcomers President Camille Ross, she is resigning from the Nominating Committee to be eligible as a member on the slate of officers. President Camille Ross has accepted her resignation. Vivian Ordonio has taken her place.

The Newcomers Club of Montgomery Nominating Committee does hereby submit these members as the slate of officers for the 2021-2022 Executive Board:

PRESIDENT: Camille Ross

PROGRAM VICE PRESIDENT: Diane Widmer

SOCIAL VICE PRESIDENT: Tara Carter

MEMBERSHIP CO- VICE PRESIDENTS: Kathy Weimer and Irene Wetzel

SECRETARY: Cheryl Sundberg

TREASURER: Michelle Negro

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Carolyn Preston

CHAPLAIN: Janine Koslofsky

Normally, the slate of officers is submitted at the March luncheon meeting. Because of the pandemic, we are cancelling the March luncheon meeting and instead submitting the above candidates here in the March newsletter.

Per Article Six-Amendment of the Club Constitution “all officers shall be elected annually with their term to coincide with the club year.” The election of club officers will take place at the April luncheon meeting. The induction of new officers is at the May luncheon meeting.

2020—2021 BOARD

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PARLIAMENTARIAN: CAROLYN PRESTON (601) 480-0025 **Email: cdpreston@hotmail.com**

CHAPLAIN: JANINE KOSLOFSKY (334)391-2875 Email: janinekoslofsky@yahoo.com



Happy Birthday to our March Babies!

Eden Esmero-Ray	3/4	Mary Jane McCracken	3/9
Michelle Negro	3/5	Gay Foster	3/10
Cleo Blucert	3/6	Barbara Anderson	3/11
Cynthia Russell	3/7	Judy Bailey	3/24
Ildi Andrews	3/26		
Sue Gill	3/28		
Shannon Ippolito	3/31		

Born in March ...you..

- are secretive
- love to travel
- enjoy all kinds of music

May all your wishes come true! 



Friendship News

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

Ildi Andrews had surgery. All went well and she's home recovering.

Condolences to Carol Luehrs and family on the death of her mother.

December 2020 Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance	\$ 3,047.62
Income	
Hillcrest Manor Victorian Tea	\$ 560.00
Luncheon Prepay 1/28/2021	\$ 40.00
Total Income	\$ 600.00
Expenses	
Hillcrest Manor (ck # 3071 Victorian Tea)	\$ 600.00
Total Expenses	\$ 600.00
Ending Balance	\$ 3,047.62

Message from the President

Dear Friends,

March is finally here! Thankfully Spring is just around the corner on March 20th. Actress Audrey Hepburn once said "to plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow." We are so very excited to share with you the following news: On Thursday April 22nd we will be having our first luncheon meeting of the year, **outdoors** at Itta Bena restaurant! Our guest speaker will be fellow member, Chaplain and Master Gardener, Janine Koslofsky. More details about this special election luncheon are in the following pages.

Last month I asked if you would share what you've been doing these past few months during this pandemic. Here are a few replies from fellow members:

Michelle Negro (TGIF Activity Chair) "visited Glacier National Park, went sledding in Ohio with family over Christmas and went kayaking on the Coosa River (and didn't tip over)."

Carol Luehrs - "playing tennis most days, great exercise but socially distanced being outdoors and spread out. Have to say the pandemic has improved my game!"

Irene Wetzel (Membership Co-Chair) "repainted 3 bedrooms, put up wallpaper and made my granddaughter Rhyse's play corner and decorated it with unicorns and hearts."

Come on ladies! Share with us what you have been up to by sending an email to **OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:** newcomersofmontgomery@gmail.com .

Also, check out our new Facebook page: Newcomers Club of Montgomery.

Today is a good day for a good day.

Sincerely,
Camille Ross
President
2020-2021

WE ARE PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEW DOOR PRIZE SPONSORS

Rosa Parks Library & Museum Donna Beisel 241-8615 252 Montgomery St. 36104
The MGM Collective (hair salon) Sarrita Salyer/Emily Shanks 593-8760 7715 Averiet Dr. 36116
Remember to support all of our Door Prize Sponsors!



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.

Note your menu choice, #1, #2 or #3 in the "FOR" space on check.

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.

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 We need someone to chair this
Activity. Please notify Camille Ross if interested.

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
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 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

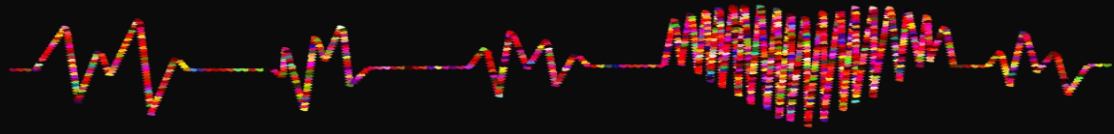
Couples, singles, and friends enjoy dinner our at a local
restaurant the 2nd Saturday of the month at 6:00 pm from
September through May

TGIF Michelle Negro, [344-544-1984](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.



March 2021



Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	1	2	3	4 Board Meeting	5 No TGIF	6
7	8	9 Book Club 10AM "Educated" by Tara Westover. Hostess: Pam Wideman- Stephan	10 Zoom Book Club 10:30 Contact Mary Lou Stevenson for more info	11	12	13
14 Daylight Savings Time Begins	15	16	17 Happy St. Patrick's Day 	18	19	20 First Day of Spring 
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

TGIF Point of contact is michellenegro@yahoo.com

Olga Aldridge is hosting in April, and Michelle Negro will be hosting in May. We hope to move outside as soon as the weather permits.

SAVE THE DATE!
May 5, 2021



DETAILS TO FOLLOW

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.



WELCOME TO THE ROSA PARKS MUSEUM

'You may do that', was Rosa Parks' calm, confident response to the Montgomery City bus driver who threatened to call the police and have her arrested for not giving up her seat to a white customer in 1955. It was the response that ultimately began the modern Civil Rights Movement.

What happened to Rosa Parks on the bus that day and the subsequent events are presented in life like scenes and figures that is the Rosa Parks Museum in downtown Montgomery.

The displays are supported and activated by modern technology and engage the visitor from beginning to end. Original pictures, scenes, comments from people living in Montgomery at the time, bring history alive. Many parts of the displays are the "real thing". In the scene that shows Mrs. Parks' arrest and removal from the bus in the display is not the actual bus on which she was riding that day but is a real bus that made the rounds daily in Montgomery at that time.

Because Mrs. Parks requires any project with her name has to have a place for children, there is a Children's wing of the museum. The Children's wing takes the visitor on a virtual bus ride to periods following the Civil War, Jim Crow, and up to the 1950's. It is very well done and appropriate for children in higher elementary grades up to adults. On the second floor of the Children's museum is an interactive display just for children third (3rd) grade and up.

Troy University Montgomery, owns and operates the museum that is open six (6) days a week. Mrs. Donna Beisel, Assistant Director of the Rosa Park Museum, has donated tickets to both wings of the museum, to be used as Door prizes at our Membership Meeting.

Submitted by Edna States



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