



NEW HORIZONS

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Message from the President-----February, 2016

"Winter is the time of promise because there is so little to do - or because you can now and then permit yourself the luxury of thinking so."

~Stanley Crawford

My favorite football teams did not do as well as I had hoped this past year. I am ready to pack away my green, gold, red, and gray and hope for a better results next year. I will now turn a bit of attention to the basketball arenas and the triangle area makes that easy since the local teams are taking over the television channels almost every evening. I think I will start a new stitching project to get me through these long cold and sometimes boring days.

I would like to thank the Holiday Party Committee for their time and effort in making the December Party a wonderful, and memorable event. Cabrina Palme, Molly Lusson, Sue Levy and Lianie Unterzuber managed to bring all the necessary ingredients together to make a delightful evening. I would also thank the Board of Directors for the substantial monetary supplement which made the event more affordable for all who attended.

2016 is a Leap Year so we have an extra day this month to fill with activities. This is Black History Month and American Heart Month. February is also the month with Ground Hog Day, National Wear Red Day, Chinese New Year, Mardi Gras, Valentine's Day, Presidents Day, and of course, National Margarita Day. I hope you enjoy each and every special day this month.

*Warm Regards,
Anita Timbrook*

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Announcements

Directory Correction

Jane & Bob Willis: 9321 Langwood Dr, Raleigh, NC 27617 (Pemberton)

Save the Date

Game Day & Spring Luncheon on Tuesday, April 19th from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Details to follow.

Sharing & Caring

Healing wishes to Deb Henry, Ellen Grove and Judy Greenawalt. Sympathy to Elaine Peck on the passing of her mother, Winifred Storrs and Linda Capristo on the passing of her mother.

Monthly Coffee - for new and existing members

Friday, February 5th at 10:00 AM. Come help welcome prospective members to the Club and meet some members you might not already know. Coffees are held at the Harrington Grove Swim and Racquet Club, 12201 New Leesville Blvd, Raleigh, 27613, 919-676-4433 **Directions:** Leesville Road Rd exit off Route 540. Head north on Leesville Rd which becomes New Leesville Blvd. Look for the Club building on your left.

Following the meeting, many members continue the socializing at a local restaurant for lunch. Come along.

Board Meeting

Tuesday, February 2nd at 10:00 AM at the home of Sue Levy, 1128 Heritage Knoll Dr, Wake Forest 27587 (Heritage)

February Birthdays

2	Peggy Park	13	Bob Glenn
3	Terri Conti	14	Carole Steinroeder
4	Vicki Dimaggio	16	JohnMastrorilli
4	Andrea Ellis	19	Lynn Hunsicker
5	Marie Greenslade	24	Larry Kranking
6	Brenda Frank	24	James Kropp
7	Jule White	25	Bill Rhodes
8	Dale Krause	26	Bill Grunow
8	Maura Fritz	26	Ray Martin
8	Joan Levy	26	RoseMarie Walters
9	Howard Ellis	26	Hilda Campbell
11	Deborah Henry		

Out and About in the Area

NC Museum of Art	www.ncartmuseum.org
Time Warner Cable Music Pavilion at Walnut Creek	www.livenation.com
NC Museum of Natural Sciences	www.naturalsciences.org
Kennedy Theater for Performing Arts	www.dukeenergycenterraleigh.com
Red Hat Amphitheater	www.redhatamphitheater.com
NC Dept. of Cultural Resources	www.ncdcr.gov
NC Farmers Market	www.ncagr.gov/markets/facilities/markets/raleigh

Additional Information

* To join Newcomers, renew membership, or note a change of home/email address or phone number, please contact **Marianne Hollingshead** at **978-869-8390** or hollingsheadm@gmail.com

* If you know of a Newcomer who needs some cheering up, sympathy or congratulations, please contact **Phyllis Rosenbaum** at **919-845-2138** or prose4800@nc.rr.com

* To submit pre-approved information for the Newsletter, please contact **Geri Goldstein** at **919-977-5085** or gggold18@aol.com

* If you have not received the Newsletter by the first of the month please contact **Angela Little** at **919-803-6245** or davidlittle5@earthlink.net

* The next Newsletter copy is due by February 3rd for the March Newsletter.

Interest Group News

Chair: Arlene Thatcher 919-803-2178 arlene.thatcher19@gmail.com

Interest groups are the spirit of the Newcomers Club. It is in the small-group atmosphere that we connect and build relationships. **Please RSVP to the interest group chair or host by the date requested. If you need to cancel a reservation, please notify your host as soon as possible as there may be a waiting list of others who would like to participate.** For groups that meet at members' homes, please do not park on lawns or in places that block mailboxes or garbage collection.

AT THE MOVIES



Chairs: Anne Grunow 919-435-2747 newcomersmovies@gmail.com
Julie Helm 440-552-2772

Join us on the 4th Thursday of each month for a movie, food and conversation. Sign up for our distribution list & we'll make sure you receive an email a week in advance with the details of that month's movie. We'll select different types of films at a variety of locations throughout the year. We hope you'll plan on dinner and/or dessert afterwards to meet and mingle with other movie buffs. Times will vary but we'll aim for twilight shows (4:00-5:00). Email newcomersmovies@gmail.com to get on our distribution list. See you at the movies!

When: Thursday, February 25th. Time to be determined by movie schedule. **Note new meeting day**

Where: Details to follow a week before once movie schedules become available

RSVP: To Anne or Julie to get on email distribution list at the contact info listed above

BOOK CLUB



Chair: Jinny Sweetman 919-846-6334 gramsjinny@gmail.com

This month our selection is All The Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr. It won the 2015 Pulitzer Prize. It's the story of a blind French girl and a German boy whose fates collide in Occupied France as they try to survive World War II.

When: Wednesday, February 17th at 1:00 PM

Where: At the home of Jane Willis, 9321 Langwood Drive, Raleigh (Pemberton) 27617

RSVP: by Monday, February 15th to Jane at 919-376-8049 or sjwillis64@gmail.com

DAYTIME BRIDGE



Chairs: Margaret Wehring 919-870-0155 (Monday)
Geri Sobczak 919-529-1636 (Wednesday)

Every Monday and Wednesday we play 2-6 tables of friendly bridge. Players sign up each week for the next week. If more players are needed the Chair will call members and find someone if possible, if not we drop a table.

When: Every Monday and Wednesday at 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Where: Humana Guidance Center, 800 Harvest Oaks Dr, Suite 100, Raleigh 27615

RSVP: The week before to the chairs at the contact information above

EVENING BRIDGE



Chair: Kathy Burke 919-803-1207 Kathy@corbet.com

If you enjoy playing a relaxed game of bridge and meeting new people, our group is just for you. Players of all skill levels are welcome for a casual evening of social bridge. First and Third Tuesdays of the month.

When & Where: February 2nd at 7:00 PM at at the home of Kathy Burke (Jay Barnhill, Co-host)

When & Where: February 16th at 7:00 PM at the home of Joe and Judy Vietri

RSVP: To Kathy as soon as possible using contact info above. Players are limited by number of tables

CANASTA



Chair: Tamah Sminkey 919-229-9223 tamahsminkey@gmail.com

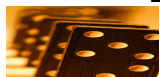
If you would like to learn how to play canasta, come join us. If you know how to play and just want to play for fun, come join us and help out the new folks. Bring a bag lunch, or come after lunch to play. Hostess will provide light dessert, water, coffee, and tea, and table ready snacks. Bring your own soda. All are welcome. Space is limited. Hostess will determine the number she can accommodate.

When: Tuesday, February 9th at 11:30 AM, play will be from 12:15 PM to 4:00 PM

Where: To be determined

RSVP: By Friday, February 5th to Tamah using the contact information above

DOMINOES



Chair: Diane Glenn 919-266-1779 Dkglen65@gmail.com

Join us for a game of tiles and trains. If you want fun and laughter, dominoes is the group to join. We are asked to purchase lunch and/or drink from Patti's Cafe before we begin playing.

When: Wednesday, February 24th at 11:30 AM

Where: Patti's Café, 8300 Health Park, Raleigh 27615

RSVP: By February 22nd to Diane using the contact information above

EUCHRE



Chair: Janice Cramer 919-556-6718 jpcramer@nc.rr.com

Euchre is an enjoyable card game and we will be glad to teach you how to play. We rotate throughout the evening so you get to play with everyone. Please bring a snack to share and anything special you wish to drink. The hostess will provide soft drinks.

When: Saturday, February 6th at 7:00 PM

Where: At the home of Lori & Jeff Sauerstrom, 7709 Del Monte Drive, Raleigh 27613 (Longlake)

RSVP: By Wednesday, February 3rd to Lori at (919) 322-2993 or lsart17@aol.com

FUN AND GAMES



Chair: Arlene Thatcher 919-803-2178

arlene.thatcher19@gmail.com

Fun and Games will be taking a break in February. See you in March.

GARDEN GROUP



Chairs: Sharon Miller
Shirley Olde

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919-676-8600

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sgo277@aol.com

This month we will stay rather close to home and have a warm and cozy experience. We will visit a local shop that specializes in miniature gardens and garden accessories. We will begin our program with a demonstration of miniature/fairy gardens then have time to browse through the art and garden decor available in the store. We will not have lunch but you may stop browsing any time you like to visit their coffee shop which features Carrboro coffee, teas and muffins.

When: February 23rd at 10:30 AM

Where: Maude's Garden & Coffee Shop, 12333 Strickland Road, Raleigh, Corner of Ray Road

RSVP: By Friday, February 19th to Shirley using the contact information above

LUNCH BUNCH



Chairs: Peggy Park
Deb Sinay

919-720-4416
312-237-1437

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deb360606@yahoo.com

Once again, in celebration of Valentine's Day, Second Empire will open for lunch especially for our group. The food is always spectacular and the windowed atrium is a beautiful setting in which to enjoy a special meal. Last year almost 40 people joined us. Hope to see you there.

When: Friday, February 12th at 11:30 AM

Where: Second Empire Restaurant and Tavern, 330 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC

RSVP: By Monday, February 8th to Deb Sinay or Peg Park using the contact information above

MAH JONGG



Chairs: Barbara Burman 919-529-4608
Lori Sauerstrom 919-322-2993

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lsart17@aol.com

If you enjoy playing Mah Jongg, this is the group for you. We play every week using the National Mah Jongg League card. Call or email one of the co-chairs if you'd like to give our group a try. Please note that this is a group for experienced players only. We are requested to purchase lunch and/or a drink from the Cafe before we begin playing.

When: Every Monday, lunch at 11:45 AM. Mah Jongg at 12:15 PM until 4:00 PM (except some holidays)

Where: Patti's Café, 8300 Health Park, Raleigh 27615

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP (RAMBOs)



Chair: Neal Auspitz 919-322-4865 nealauspitz@yahoo.com

All Newcomers men are invited to meet for breakfast or just coffee the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. There is no agenda, just informal conversation and interesting company. No RSVP is needed. Just show up and join in. This group finds that there is a lot to talk about. (**Note change of venue for first Tuesday.**)

When: Tuesday, February 2nd at 8:30 AM

When: Tuesday, February 16th at 8:30 AM

Where: Big Ed's North, 5009 Falls of Neuse Road,
Quail Corners Shopping Center 27609

Where: Brigs Great Beginnings, 8111 Creedmoor Rd,
Raleigh 27613

MEN'S POKER



Chair: Phil Weiss 703-859-5436 weissphilly@aol.com

The Friendly Poker group continues to meet at a member's home on a rotating basis. The games are fun, stakes are low and the interest continues to grow.

When: Thursday, February 25th at 7:00 PM

Where: Contact Phil at weissphilly@aol.com for details

RSVP: To Phil using the contact information listed above

PROGRESSIVE HAND & FOOT



Chair: Rae Ann Thompson 919-278-7703 raeannt100@aol.com

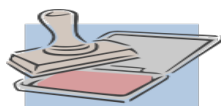
Come join us for a fun time. We meet the second Tuesday of the month. Lunch service begins at 11 AM. If you aren't coming for lunch, be sure to let Rae Ann know you will be arriving to play at noon. You need to bring \$3 to play. Play ends when your table has completed 4 hands, but no later than 3:30 PM. Nice jeans and sneakers or athletic shoes are appropriate attire if you wish to dress more casually.

When: Tuesday, February 9th at 11:00 AM

Where: TPC at Wakefield Plantation, 2201 Wakefield Plantation Drive, Raleigh 27614

RSVP: By Tuesday, February 2nd to Rae Ann at raeannt100@aol.com

RUBBER STAMPING



Chairs: Barb Evans 919-217-7695 bj71@nc.rr.com
Molly Lusson 919-554-4639 mollynmichael@aol.com

Rubber Stamping is a pastime for someone who loved to play with paper dolls, someone who thinks that polka dots and pin stripes go together and who enjoys the company of like-minded glitterati. We will be happy to teach you about stamping if you don't know how, or refresh your memory if it's been a long time.

When: Thursday, February 11th at 1:00 PM

Where: At the home of Maria Romano, 3112 Fortress Gate Dr. 27614 (Galloway on the Green)

RSVP: By Monday, February 8th to Maria at 919-325-0955 or grandmabosco@gmail.com

SINGLE SISTERS



Chairs: Mary Kay Buenzli 919-528-2868
Paula Meek 317-506-0606

paulajomeek@gmail.com

In February the Single Sisters will be having lunch at Champa Thai restaurant followed by a painting session at Pinot's Palette. The studio has step by step instructions for most paintings and staff available to assist throughout the creative process. You are welcome to join us just for lunch or lunch and the painting session.

Check out painting options at Pinot's Palette's website <http://www.pinotpalette.com/briercreek>. Cost \$10-\$25
Check out Champa's online menu at <http://champathaisushi.com/>.

When: Thursday, February 4th from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM

Where: Lunch at Champa Thai at 11:30 AM, 8521 Brier Creek Parkway, Raleigh 27617

Where: Pinot's Palette from 1:00 to 3:00 PM, 10510 Moncrieffe Road, Suite 101, Raleigh 27617

RSVP: By Sunday, January 28th to Paula or Mary Kay using the contact information above

STITCH 'N' CHAT



Chair: Susan Reedman 919-200-6079/919-368-3670

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Stitch 'n' Chat will be taking a break in February. See you in March.

WALKING GROUP



Chair: Linda Capristo

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Join us for an hour of exercise and conversation. We are currently walking at Crabtree Valley Mall. Majority choice - the group determines inside or outside walking. Everyone is welcome. We have walkers at all levels. There are no weekly email reminders or RSVP's. People walk at different paces, and the pathways are all paved. Feel free to meet us whenever you like!

When: Every Wednesday at 9:20 AM meet time, 9:30 AM start time

Where: In front of Panera Bread inside Crabtree Valley Mall, Glenwood Ave., 27612

RSVP: not required – but encouraged for first time walkers, so we may watch for you

Directions: You can enter the parking lot from Creedmoor Road. Drive into the covered parking area at ground level, Panera Bread Company will be on your left, just after Macy's. Or enter the parking lot from Lead Mine/Blue Ridge Road. Drive around the rear side of the mall (toward Macy's; Panera Bread Co. will be on your right). You'll see their sign on the awning. Meet just inside the Mall entrance in front of Panera Bread.

WINE TASTING



Chair: Louise Plocharsky 860-989-6194

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Happy New Year!! For our February wine tasting, we will gather at the home of Jean and Bill Leppek on Saturday, February 27th. For this tasting, we will again be exploring wines from different regions. Cory Lyerly from Taylor's Fine Wines will make his wine selections from Argentina - Medosa.

When: Saturday, February 27th from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Where: At the home of Jean and Bill Leppek

RSVP: An invitational e-mail to interested Club members will be sent in February

Newcomers Club of Raleigh is grateful for the continued professional pro bono services of Richard M. Reedman as Treasurer.

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i> Mah Jongg <i>11:45am</i>	2 RAMBOs <i>8:30am</i> Board Meeting <i>10:00am</i> Evening Bridge <i>7:00pm</i>	3 Walking Group <i>9:25am</i> Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i>	4 Single Sisters <i>11:30am</i>	5 Welcome Coffee <i>10:00am</i>	6 Euchre <i>7:00 pm</i>
7	8 Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i> Mah Jongg <i>11:45am</i>	9 Progressive Hand & Foot <i>11:00am</i> Canasta <i>11:30am</i>	10 Walking Group <i>9:25am</i> Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i>	11 Rubber Stamping <i>1:00pm</i>	12 Lunch bunch <i>11:30am</i>	13
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21	22 Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i> Mah Jongg <i>11:45am</i>	23 Garden Group <i>10:30am</i>	24 Walking Group <i>9:25am</i> Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i> Dominoes <i>11:30am</i>	25 At the Movies <i>TBD</i> Men's Poker <i>7:00pm</i>	26	27 Wine Tasting <i>7:00 pm</i>
28	29 Day Bridge <i>10:00am</i> Mah Jongg <i>11:45am</i>					

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