



NEW HORIZONS

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Message from the President-----March, 2016

*In the spring I have counted
one hundred and thirty-six different kinds
of weather inside of four and twenty hours.
-Mark Twain*

In this area of the country, March truly brings the hints of the season. We have more sun than clouds, bulbs ready to bloom, and rising temperatures. I have always considered myself a true Midwesterner but I must admit I am liking the North Carolina spring far more than I ever expected. Since I am a die hard sports fan, I can't sing the praises of the season without reminding you that March Madness is also upon us. For those of you who enjoy college basketball, Raleigh is hosting the first round of the tournament.

*March is also the month of the North Carolina Presidential Primary. The Newcomers Club is not affiliated with any political groups but it is involved in nominating the 2016-17 Board of Directors for our organization. **Once again I am asking for volunteers. As you will see later in the newsletter, we have four positions yet to fill.** For the past thirty years, the board has strived to keep our club running smoothly and this can not continue without your help. Please consider joining the board this year.*

*Warm Regards,
Anita Timbrook*

2015-2016 Board of Directors

Executive Committee:

President	Anita Timbrook
Vice President	<i>Open</i>
Membership Coordinator	Marianne Hollingshead
Programs Coordinator	Cabrina Palme
Secretary	Jane Willis
Treasurer	Richard Reedman
Parliamentarian	Lianie Unterzuber
Interest Groups Coordinator	Arlene Thatcher

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Reservations	Molly Lusson
Directory Coordinator	Diana Goodall
Assistant Programs Coord	<i>Open</i>

Special Committee:

Coffee Hostess.....	Mary Kay Buenzli, Elaine Peck, <i>Open</i>
Sharing and Caring.....	Phyllis Rosenbaum
Proofreaders.....	Phyllis Rosenbaum and Jinny Sweetman

Announcements

Welcome

Betty Harmon & Tom Skinner

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Betty: lady.tech@icloud.com
Tom: obsurf@yahoo.com
Betty BD: 10/05
Tom BD: 11/30
Moved From: Greenville, NC
Interested in: Book Club, Lunch Bunch, RAMBO,
Walking Group, Wine Tasting

Enola Nelson

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BD: 6/29
Moved from Holyoke, MA
Interested in: Book Club, Single Sisters,
Wine Tasting, Fun & Games,
Lunch Bunch, Hand & Foot,

Michele and George Shaw

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Wake Forest 27587
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George Cell: 571-455-3920
Michele: msjackson930@gmail.com
George: g0b07shaw@gmail.com
Michele BD: 7/22
George BD: 11/24
Moved from Fairfax, VA
Interested in: At the Movies, Book Club, RAMBO,
Fun & Games, Hand & Foot, Stitch 'N' Chat, Lunch Bunch

Contact Information Updates

Vicki DiMaggio - new address: 120 Valleycruise Circle, Garner, NC 27529, home phone: 984-200-8855

April General Meeting And Game Day

Buffet Lunch

Eat, Play some Games, Vote for 2016-17 Board of Directors

Tuesday, April 19, 2016

**Harrington Grove Swim & Racquet Club
12201 New Leesville Blvd, Raleigh, 27613**

Look for details in the April Newsletter

Nominees for 2015-2016 Board of Directors

(To be voted on at Annual Meeting on April 19, 2016)

Executive Committee:

President: Anita Timbrook
Vice President: *Open*
Secretary: Jane Willis
Treasurer: Richard Reedman
Programs Coordinator: *Open*
Interest Group Coordinator: Sandy Ricci
Membership Coordinator: Susan Ragan
Parliamentarian: *Open* (must be former board member)

Standing Committee:

Publicity: Diane Glenn
Hospitality: Nancy Erdman
Reservations: Vicki DiMaggio
Editor Newsletter: Deb Henry
Publisher Newsletter: Katherine Wilkinson
Directory Coordinator: Diane Goodall
Database/Webmaster: Sue Levy
Assistant Programs Coordinator: *Open*

Special Committees:

Coffee Hostess Chairperson: Mary Kay Buenzli
Coffee Hostess Assistants: Elaine Peck
Open
Sharing and Caring: Phyllis Rosenbaum
Proofreaders: Phyllis Rosenbaum
Jinny Sweetman

There are four open positions on the Board of Directors plus one position on a Special Committee. We encourage any interested parties to contact Anita Timbrook to discuss the positions. The club would love to begin our new year with a full board so that we are able to provide a full slate of activities for our members.

Sharing & Caring

Healing wishes have been sent to Hilary Reynell, Diana Goodall, Judy Vietri, Andrea Ellis, Gail Hunsicker, and Donna Bevelacqua.

Monthly Coffee - for new and existing members

Friday, March 4th 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, March 1st at 10:00 AM at the home of Angela Little, 3834 Cottage Rose La, Raleigh 27612 (Glen Lake South)

March Birthdays

1	Suzanne Lyons	17	Steen Kantor
2	Chery Rousseau	21	Barbara Evans
6	Shirley Olde	22	Barbara Pildis
7	Buzz Clift	23	Jeff Sauerstrom
9	Bill Leppek	24	Joe Conti
12	Katherine Baer	24	Bette Willett
12	Deanna Easley	26	Brad Thompson
13	Tamah Sminkey	28	Elizabeth Sullivan
14	John Sullivan	29	Patrice Auspitz
15	Mike Hemphill	30	Michael Royle

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 March 3rd for the April 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, March 24th 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 we are discussing Nothing Daunted: The Unexpected Education of Two Society Girls in the West, by Dorothy Wickenden. This true story is the adventure of two classmates who set off in 1916 from New York to teach school on the western border.

When: Wednesday, March 16th at 1:00 PM

Where: At the home of Janice Cramer, 517 Belmont Circle, Wake Forest 27587 (West Fieldstone)

RSVP: By Monday, March 14th to Janice at 919-556-6718 or jpcramer@nc.rr.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: March 1st at 7:00 PM at the home of Wilma & Jerry Krier

When & Where: March 15th at 7:00 PM at the home of Susan & Larry Ragan

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, March 8th at 11:30 AM, play will be from 12:15 PM to 4:00 PM

Where: At the home of Sue Levy, 1128 Heritage Knoll Dr, Wake Forest 27587 (Heritage)

RSVP: By Friday, March 4th to Sue at 919-435-1730 / 919-671-5326 or sitarue57@gmail.com

DOMINOES



Chair: Diane Glenn 919-266-1779 Dkglenn65@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, March 23rd at 11:30 AM

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

RSVP: By March 21st 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, March 5th at 7:00 PM

Where: At the home of Wilma & Jerry Krier, 3507 W. Stone Dr, Wake Forest 27587 (West Fieldstone)

RSVP: By Wednesday, March 2nd to Wilma at 919-569-5520 or wilma.krier@gmail.com

FUN AND GAMES



Chair: Arlene Thatcher 919-803-2178

arlene.thatcher19@gmail.com

The group likes to play games that involve the whole group and provide lots of laughs. The hosts will provide the soft drinks, coffee, tea; the guests will bring a snack or dessert to share and any other special drink for themselves if they choose.

When: Saturday, March 12th at 7:00 PM

Where: At the home of Deb & Bill Henry, 2316 Avinshire Place, Wake Forest 27587 (Glenmoor)

RSVP: By March 10th to Deb at 919-435-7607 or henry3514@nc.rr.com

GARDEN GROUP



Chairs: Sharon Miller
Shirley Olde

919-846-5056
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Been wanting something green in your house but not wanting the upkeep? Air plants may be the solution for you. Homewood Nursery will show us some air plants & then demonstrate how to create a vessel to accommodate them. Following the demonstration you may purchase supplies to create your own vessel or just browse the nursery and gift shop. We will then dine at a local restaurant.

When: Tuesday, March 22nd at 10:00 AM

Where: Homewood Nursery & Garden Center, 10809 Honeycutt Road, Raleigh 27614

RSVP: By Friday, March 18th 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

Lunch Bunch will meet at the **Red Monkey Tavern**--a Gastropub located at the Crabtree Valley Mall. The menu is large and varied. In addition to great food, uncommon entrees, a variety of local and regional craft brews are served. A separate space is reserved for our group on the lower level of the mall, right outside of Belks. Hope to see you there.

When: Friday, March 11th at 11:30 AM

Where: Red Monkey Tavern, Crabtree Valley Mall, 4325 Glenwood Ave, 27612

RSVP: By March 8th to Deb or Peg at 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.

When: Tuesday, March 1st 8:30 AM

When: Tuesday, March 15th at 8:30 AM

Where: For location check with Neal Auspitz using the contact information above

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, March 24th 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

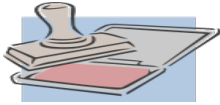
Come join us for a fun time. We meet the second Tuesday of the month. Lunch service begins at 11 AM. If you aren't coming for lunch, be sure to let Rae Ann know you will be arriving to play at noon. You need to bring \$3 to play. Play ends when your table has completed 4 hands, but no later than 3:30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

When: Tuesday, March 8th at 11:00 AM

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

RSVP: By Tuesday, March 1st 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 March 10th at 1:00 PM

Where: At the home of Barb Evans, 1101 Oak Crest Dr, Knightdale 27545 (Planters Walk)

RSVP: By Monday March 7th to Barb at 919-217-7695 or bj71@nc.rr.com

SINGLE SISTERS



Chairs: Mary Kay Buenzli 919-528-2868
 Paula Meek 317-506-0606 paulajomeek@gmail.com

Single Sisters will go to the North Carolina Museum of History, weather permitting, with lunch afterwards. In addition to their regular exhibits including a 20,000 square foot permanent exhibit of the history of our state, there are special exhibits we can enjoy:

1. Made Especially for You by Willie Kay - an exhibit of wedding dresses
2. Treasures of North Carolina - one of a kind documents, photographs, and other media from the State Archives that tell the story of NC from the 1500s
3. Billy Graham and His Remarkable Journey of Faith
4. Southern Impressions - paintings from the James-Farmer Collection that reflect southern people, culture and landscapes

When: Thursday, March 3rd at 10:00 AM

Where: North Carolina Museum of History, 5 Edenton Street, 27601 919-807-7900

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

STITCH 'N' CHAT



Chair: Susan Reedman 919-200-6079/919-368-3670 abbeyinc@aol.com

Stitch 'n' Chat is a wonderful opportunity to curl up in a comfy chair and stitch with friends. Bring whatever projects that you are working on or have found that were never completed. Need to stitch a hem or sew on a button--bring it along. Join us for an afternoon of stitching and chatting.

When: March 17th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM approximately

Where: At the home of Elaine Peck, 12909 Edsel Dr, 27613 (Wynbrooke)

RSVP: By Monday, March 14th to Elaine at 919-845-1887 or lainiep@nc.rr.com

WALKING GROUP



Chair: Linda Capristo

919-781-0777

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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 RSVPs. 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

weezie911@gmail.com

For our March wine tasting we will be tasting wines from Spain.

When: Saturday, March 26th from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Where: At the home of Joe and Linda Pechinak, 40 Princeton Manor Dr, Youngsville 27596

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

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

March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 RAMBOs 8:30am Board Meeting 10:00am Evening Bridge 7:00pm	2 Walking Group 9:25am Day Bridge 10:00am	3 Single Sisters 10:00am	4 Welcome Coffee 10:00am	5 Euchre 7:00 pm
6	7 Day Bridge 10:00am Mah Jongg 11:45am	8 Progressive Hand & Foot 11:00am Canasta 11:30am	9 Walking Group 9:25am Day Bridge 10:00am	10 Rubber Stamping 1:00pm	11 Lunch bunch 11:30am	12 Fun & Games 7:00pm
13	14 Day Bridge 10:00am Mah Jongg 11:45am	15 RAMBOs 8:30am Evening Bridge 7:00pm	16 Walking Group 9:25am Day Bridge 10:00am Book Club 1:00pm	17 Stitch N' Chat 1:00pm	18	19
20	21 Day Bridge 10:00am Mah Jongg 11:45am	22 Garden Group 10:00am	23 Walking Group 9:25am Day Bridge 10:00am Dominoes 11:30am	24 At the Movies TBD Men's Poker 7:00pm	25	26 Wine Tasting 7:00 pm
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