

THE NEWCOMER NEWS

WESTERN WELCOME NEWCOMERS

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<https://www.wwnewcomers.org>



Sandy Antich

President

It's Goodbye 2023 Hello 2024!

While looking back at 2023, it was a year of so many fun events. We had wonderful speakers and an auction that exceeded the previous year. This is all because of people like you who volunteer and step up, so the members have a full calendar of events. Members can pick and choose which events they will enjoy participating in the most.

It is rewarding to see the club growing as more of you are taking advantage of activities. Are you going to be a volunteer this year? Do you have any suggestions to make the club function better?

This is your Club! Let's make 2024 even more fulfilling as you consider trying something new. Here's a New Year's toast to an exceptional group of people who are the Club and who make it the success it is.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Debra Wilson

Vice President

Our speaker for January is Kellie Pomeroy from Southern Oregon Decorative Arts. <https://southernoregondcorativeartists.com/>. This is a fun group that meets in Rogue River once a month. They also have guests that come and teach special classes. They do painting and drawing. I met this group at their annual Bunco fundraiser and was impressed with their creativity and welcoming attitude. In February, our speaker will be from the Women's Crisis Center.

Looking ahead for **WWNewcomers** we have so many great activities coming up. I am especially excited to see newer members getting involved in planning events. I hear there might be a Senior Prom in the works for springtime!

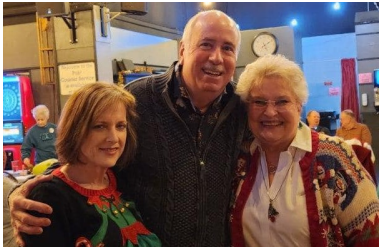
We are also still looking for people wanting to help the club by being on the Board. Interested? Contact Sandy Antich.

See you January 30th at our monthly meeting!

Debra Wilson



2023 Christmas Party



VOLUNTEERING EXTENDS AND ENHANCES YOUR LIFE



If you're a new member, consider taking an active part in WWN.

Being a Board member is a great opportunity to get better acquainted with other members. Call me and I will discuss the **positions** and the responsibilities involved with each.

WWN has many past presidents still involved with the Club.
I'm sure any of them would be happy to discuss with you their experience and answer any questions.

Remember, we need to fill the positions by March, even though the incoming Board members do not take office until June 1st.

Sandy Antich 541-218-4015
sandygoing@hotmail.com

Get Ready for Green!!

Saint Patrick's Day dinner on Sunday, March 17th

5 pm to 7 pm at Wild River Pub. Serving Corned Beef & Cabbage or Chicken Marinara along with baby red potatoes, carrots & yellow onion, salad & dessert.

Sign up sheet at January and February meetings

Ann Barham 541-450-3225
annbar87@charter.net



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!



*** FEBRUARY ***

**7 Joyce Harrison, 14 Edgar Eads, 19 Peter Spurr, 22 Candy Highley,
22 Parke Kallenberg, 22 Terrell Lewis, 27 Patricia Kraetsch**

*** MARCH ***

**3 Roi Pietrzak, 5 Margee Wheeler, 6 Joan Knecht, 6 Steve Knecht,
7 Bonnie Kallenberg, 11 Ned Sokol, 16 Lou Sheeler, 19 Jacque Melancon,
21 Pat Randall, 22 RJ Richard Wilson**

50/50 FUN!!



\$\$ WIN SOME CASH \$\$

Buy your tickets and go home with a little bonus.
Tickets are drawn at the meeting and you could go home a winner!

There was no meeting in December, so no 50/50 drawing.

TICKETS

Purchase your tickets at the registration area.
Ticket prices are 1 for \$1, 3 for \$2, 5 for \$3 and 10 for \$5.
The total collected is divided 50% to the club and the other 50% goes to the winners.

Terry and Darlene O'Dell Chairmen

~ **LUNCH BUNCH** ~



February 9th @ 1:00 pm

**WILD RIVER BREWING AND
PIZZA COMPANY**

595 N E 'E' Street, Grants Pass

RSVP REQUIRED BY February 5th!!

Trish Bell tb_euhs@yahoo.com

~ **LET'S EAT OUT** ~



Saturday, February 24th @ 4:00 pm

RIVER STATION

510 E Main Street, Rogue River

RSVP REQUIRED!!

Cancellations 48 hours

Linda Lonnquist
805-990-0558 lindalonn@verizon.net



MEMBERSHIP CORNER

We have 3 new members,
Doug and Carol Whelan are from Juneau, Alaska.
Their interests are walking, small hikes and games.

Welcome Doug and Carol!

We also welcome Phyllis Greenwood, a former
member who is re-joining our group. Phyllis
enjoys group activities, serial dinners, guest
speakers, games, art, theater and
community projects.

Welcome back Phyllis!

We look forward to getting to know you.

Chair: Helen Toth 818-687-9028
helen_toth48@yahoo.com



Book Lovers Unite!

The Book Club will be meeting on the
2nd Monday, **February 12th @ 12:30 pm**

Elmer's Restaurant

175 N Agness, Grants Pass

Look forward to seeing everyone at Elmer's for
fun, laughter and great food.

If you are unable to make the meeting, please let
me know so I can provide a proper head count and
make sure a server is available for us.
Happy reading/listening!

For RSVP please email or call

Terry Miller
657-363-2145 terrylynnm8@gmail.com

POTTERY PAINTING

For the month of February our planned activity will be Pottery Painting.

We will be going to Pottery, Canvas and Stone

130 NE F Street, Grants Pass

February 20, 2024 at 2:30.

Sign up at our January monthly meeting or call:

Starr Terra 541-450-3784
starrterra4@gmail.com



NEWCOMERS WALKING GROUP

If you want to get out and stretch your legs,
sign up at the monthly meeting or call Starr.

As the weather gets better we will be walking
different trails around Grants Pass.

Starr Terra 541-450-3784

Starrterra4@gmail.com



Send some sunshine

Are you aware of our Sunshine Feature?

If there's a member who's ill, lost a loved one, is
recuperating or needs a boost...just let me know.

I'll send them a ray of sunshine in the form
of a greeting card from the Newcomers Club.

Ms. Sunshine: Jacque Melancon 925-597-0177

Activity Sign Ups

Once you have committed to attend an
activity, each chairperson is counting
on your attendance.

Please do the polite thing and don't
drop out at the last minute without
advising the chairperson.

Payment should be made out to WWN.

**REMINDER: Wear your badge to all
activities and meetings**

MEXICAN TRAIN

ALL MEMBERS welcome!

Come to play Mexican Train/Dominoes!!
Lots of talk and laughter.

Since we are playing on Valentines Day, maybe think
about going out for early dinner after!

February 14th and February 28th
March 13th and March 27th

Doors open at 12:30

Please RSVP

*The Bear Hotel has asked that we only bring food that
is commercially prepackaged.*

Please bring quarters, domino sets
and racks if you have them.

Evergreen Bear Hotel
2101 NE Spalding Ave

Contact Debra Wilson for more information
antiquetd@msn.com

BOWLING

Good News from the Alley Cats!!

We gather at the tables in the area of lanes 4-8.

Only \$2.50 a game and that includes shoes and ball!

Caveman Bowl

1230 Rogue River Highway

February 8th and February 22nd
March 14th and March 28th

Practice starts @ 12:45 pm

Please RSVP

Any questions? Call or email Starr Terra
starrterra4@gmail.com
541-450-3784



HAND & FOOT or 5 CROWN CARDS

Elks Lodge

618 SE J Street, Grants Pass

1st & 3rd Thursdays
We start at 12:00 PM for LUNCH.
Paying for lunch helps us have the room
to play cards for free.

February 1st and February 15th
March 7th and March 21st

If you don't know how to play we'll teach you.
It's FUN! Come join us!

Connie Hager (call or text) **541-218-2804**
ConnieHager@rocketmail.com



3rd Monday of the month
Location to be Announced

Call Terry 503-812-0381

REMINDER

Please let me know of any corrections or update to the
directory. Deadline is 1/23. I will be sending out a di-
rectory addendum on 2/1 and will have print copies
available at our January 30th meeting.

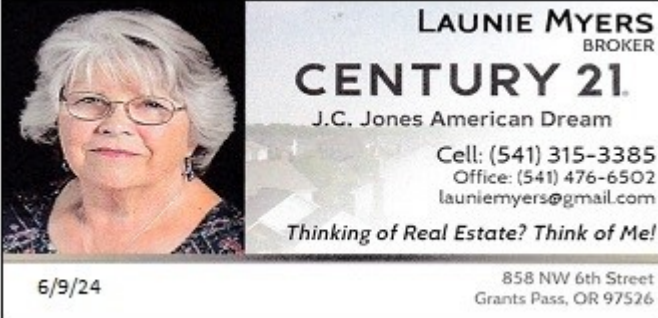
Contact Debra Wilson for more information
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WWN CLASSIFIED ADS

Ads are accepted only for member items or services.

Ads are \$3.00 (prepaid) for up to 25 words (\$5 for up to 50 words). Deadline is 10 days before the monthly Newcomers Meeting (last Tuesday of each month). Ads may/may not require your name, phone number, address, description of the items for sale or wanted, price, condition of item or date of event.

Email Kristi Mishell KristiMishell@gmail.com to place your ad.



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