



# THE NEWCOMER NEWS

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<https://www.wwnewcomers.org>

**COVID EXPOSURE OR SYMPTOMS? PLEASE REST AT HOME AWAY FROM OTHERS. IF YOU ARE SIGNED UP FOR ACTIVITY PLEASE CALL AND CANCEL. BE WELL**



**President Starr Terra**

We had a great turnout for our annual picnic! Lots of food, games and prizes. Thank you to Linda Ray and her committee for all your hard work. The location was perfect, shady and cool and plenty of room to play.

Our next big event is the auction on October 29th. If anyone would like to volunteer to help, please let Terry O'Dell know.

We also have opportunities to help with other activities. Don't be shy! We need you. If you are interested in helping out please let me know. Big and small opportunities need special people like yourselves to make good things happen!

## **AUCTION NEWS: LIMIT TWO ITEMS PER MEMBER!**



**Vice President**

**Laurie Myers**

We had a great meeting for July, very informative to hear about the Rose Society, their pivotal role in maintaining the amazing rose garden at Riverside Park and lots of tips on care and maintaining your rose bushes. Thank you Rudy for coming to share.

We have a lot of members enjoying the Community Concerts and for August 27 meeting we will have a speaker share about this season's events and how you, too, can come out and enjoy the series. We will also have an update on our Performing Arts Center upgrades. And as promised at each meeting we will learn about one or more service opportunities within our club. See you soon.

I have a few months open for speakers, so if you have a suggestion for me, please reach out. [launiemyers@gmail.com](mailto:launiemyers@gmail.com) 541-315-3385 (text or email is best.)

**DID YOU KNOW: You will need TWO 3x5 cards for each auction item you bring on 10/29. We have you covered! Pick up 3x5 cards at the August and September General Meetings and have them ready.**

# AUCTION

Western Welcome Newcomers Annual Auction will be held 10/29 in place of our regular meeting. This is one of our most popular events. Whether it's baked lasagna, homemade cinnamon rolls, knit/crochet shawls, or maybe a basket stuffed with Harry & David goodies or candy and a movie pass. Everyone looks forward to the baked goods, crafts, wine, gift cards, plants and baskets filled with goodies. Each item **MUST** come with TWO 3x5 cards complete with title and description. Be sure and pick up some cards at the August and September meeting.

*Please no rummage sale or used items.*

Doors open at 9am to begin accepting your auction items and for members to register and get a bidding paddle. PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR PADDLE NUMBER

**This year we are limiting members to TWO items each.**

Our auctioneer, Nelson Mahler, will start the auction at 10am.

Questions? Call Terry O'Dell (503) 812-0381









## Activity Sign Ups

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

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

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



### October Birthdays

#### Day Name

- 1 Diane Lewis
- 2 Larry Boynton
- 4 Marcy Kappner
- 7 Jim Connelly
- 8 Jean Jeffery
- 12 Dianne Agricola
- 13 Erlin Peaker
- 16 Becky Bochman
- 18 Phyllis Greenwood
- 19 Janis Palmer

### September Birthdays

#### Day Name

- 5 Trish Bell
- 11 Linda Sanders
- 13 Ken Bartunek
- 21 Ron Exley
- 21 Tom Cowan
- 25 Mark Simonds
- 25 Stan Ehrenpfort



3rd Monday of each month  
Location is kept secret to avoid having woman crash the party  
Contact Terry O'Dell for the monthly location  
503-812-0381



**THE AUCTION IS COMING!!!  
OCTOBER 29TH  
TWO ITEMS PER MEMBER  
THIS IS ONE MEETING YOU  
WILL NOT WANT TO MISS**

~ LUNCH BUNCH ~



Tuesday, September 10th 1pm

**BEE GEE'S DINER**  
500 E MAIN ST  
ROGUE RIVER

**RSVP REQUIRED!!**

Cancellations 48 hours  
Sherrill Eads 623-221-9994

**MEXICAN TRAIN**

**ALL MEMBERS welcome!**

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

**September 11th and 25th**

**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.

**We will be meeting at Elks Lodge during October,  
November & December.**

**Details to follow**

Evergreen Bear Hotel  
2101 NE Spalding Ave

Sandy Antich  
541-218-4015  
[sandygoing@hotmail.com](mailto:sandygoing@hotmail.com)



~ LET'S EAT OUT ~



**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27 4PM**

**WILD RIVER BREWING**

595 Northeast E St  
Grants Pass, OR

**RSVP REQUIRED!!**

Cancellations 48 hours

Linda Lonnquist **805-990-0558**  
[Lindalonn@verizon.net](mailto:Lindalonn@verizon.net)

**Book Lovers Unite!**

The Book Club meets 2nd Monday of each month

**September 9 @ 12:30**  
**October 14th @ 12:30**

**Elmer's Restaurant**  
175 N Agness, Grants Pass

**Come share what you're reading! We don't all read  
the same book in this book club. It's fun to hear  
about new authors.**

If you are unable to make the meeting, please let Terry  
know so she 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](mailto:terrylynnm8@gmail.com)







## CRAFTS WITH CONNIE

Craft class will be on Sept 20, **Friday instead of Wednesday.**

We'll be making some small items to use for the Holidays. These are great to use as a place card or just to decorate a small area. They make great little "you're special" gifts. Come have fun at my house at 10:30. 1255 SW Ironwood Dr. By Reinhardt Park.

**Let me know if you want to come.** I'll have samples at the general meeting in Aug.

My address is 1255 SW Ironwood. By the Sports Park.

Connie Hager 541-218-2804  
[ConnieHager@rocketmail.com](mailto:ConnieHager@rocketmail.com)

**50/50**



**\$\$ WIN SOME**

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

**Congratulations!!**

**Linda Lonnquist \$30 and Shireen Hartmann \$38**

**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.



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 call Jacque, our Sunshine Chair!

She'll send them a ray of sunshine in the form of a greeting card from the Club  
Jacque Melancon  
925-597-0177

We are now in **Extreme Fire Danger.**

I wanted to share this app, "Watch Duty", with our members. If you're new to our area you may wonder where you get information on fires in OR and CA. This app is all you need. I recommend loading it now before it's needed



**Watch Duty:  
Wildfire Maps**

Wildfire Maps & Alerts



### MEMBERSHIP CORNER

Two new members joined us at our last meeting

Liz Blackett is originally from Kansas City, Missouri and enjoys line dancing and volunteering at the library.

Jan Franz comes from San Diego and enjoys the computer, her camera and art  
Welcome ladies and we look forward to seeing you at many activities



And our scores are often shockingly low for all the work we do!

## 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

**September 12th and 26th  
October 10th & 24th**

**Practice starts @ 12:45 pm**

**Please RSVP**

Any questions? Call or email Lynn Burke

[cherlynnb123@gmail.com](mailto:cherlynnb123@gmail.com)

**541-244-8645**

## 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.

We all must pay for our lunch in order to use the room to play cards. No pay—no play.

**September 5th and 19th**

**October 3rd & 17th**

**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](mailto:ConnieHager@rocketmail.com)



Even Santa Bowls with Newcomers!



## 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 Debra Wilson [debrawilsonwwn@gmail.com](mailto:debrawilsonwwn@gmail.com) to place your ad.

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BROKER  
**CENTURY 21**  
J.C. Jones American Dream  
Cell: (541) 315-3385  
Office: (541) 476-6502  
launiemyers@gmail.com  
*Thinking of Real Estate? Think of Me!*  
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Grants Pass, OR 97526  
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Check out our webpage

<https://>

[www.wwnewcomers.org/](http://www.wwnewcomers.org/)



WWN's FACEBOOK QR CODE



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