

# THE NEWCOMER NEWS



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Thank you! Thank you to all of you for being a member of WWN! You all have made this group so much fun and keep us all on the go. Never a dull moment here. Where else can you go to make so many new friends? Try new restaurants with these friends at so many different places. And the activities! So much to do to keep us active.

We are always planning ahead to keep it exciting. Did we all enjoy playing card bingo? Yes, we did! A big thank you to Sandy and her helpers that put it together. We plan to do that again!

My second huge Thank You goes to all the members that plan and execute these fun events. Remember when attending events to thank the ones that made it possible. And then ask, "how can I help"?

Enjoy the little things, for one day you may realize they are the big things.  
-Robert Brault

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Vice President

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February 25 speaker is Kellie Barton and her team from AAA in Grants Pass. Boasting a new store at the Grants Pass location they will share some of the latest and greatest travel tools and tips - don't miss it. Come out and hear about all our other events coming up and a chance to sign up for membership and events.

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## WE NEED YOUR HELP

Friendly request and reminder

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 "no show" or dropout at the last minute without advising the chairperson.

*Recently we had a reservation for 26 and only 13 showed up.*

*Thank you, the WWN Board*



**March Birthdays**

**Day Name**

- 3 Roi Pietrzak
- 5 Margee Wheeler
- 6 Joan Knecht
- 6 Steve Knecht
- 6 Patricia Langford
- 7 Bonnie Kallenberg
- 15 Don Eklund
- 16 Lou Sheeler
- 21 Pat Randall
- 22 RJ Richard Wilson

**April Birthdays**

**Day Name**

- 1 Sherrill Eads
- 4 Carol Connelly
- 4 Ed Agricola
- 8 Cathy Pallari
- 11 David Tyson
- 11 Linda Lonquist
- 12 Mike McCartney
- 13 JoEllen Smazenka
- 14 Jan Kloes
- 17 Darlene O'Dell
- 21 Sharon Kier
- 26 Paul Porner
- 30 Liz Blackett

Did you miss last years St Patricks Party? Does this look like fun? It's not too late to sign up for this years party. See info below and contact Sandy Antich



March 20th

**NEWCOMERS ANNUAL ST PATRICKS DAY LUNCH**

**March 17th 1:30-3:30**

Wild River Pub  
533 NE F Street

We are trying something new by having our annual get together in the afternoon so more can attend before it gets dark!

Menu:

**Corned Beef and Cabbage or Chicken Marinara  
Salad**

**Sign Up & Pay  
deadline 3/4**

Red Potatoes    Members: \$15  
Dessert    Non-Members: \$30

Contact: Starr Terra  
541-450-3784  
[starrterra4@gmail.com](mailto:starrterra4@gmail.com)

Three new members have joined us since our last meeting. Monica Stockton is originally from California and enjoys crafts, bbq, bowling, books, knitting and the outdoors. JoEllen Smazenka came here from Los Angeles and her interests are crafting, games and dining out. She heard about us from Leslie Thompson and Cathy Pallari. Don Carter is originally from Roseburg. Some of you have met Don when he attended a few activities with his partner, Lou Sheeler. We look forward to getting to know you and hope to see you soon.



**Membership Info:**  
 Helen Toth  
 818-687-9028  
[Helen\\_toth48@yahoo.com](mailto:Helen_toth48@yahoo.com)

**50/50**



**\$\$ WIN**

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

**JANUARY 28TH WINNERS**

**Beth Fox \$30**  
**Linda Lonnquist \$25**

**TICKETS**

Purchase your tickets at the registration area. Ticket prices are 1 for \$1, 3 for \$2, 5 for \$3 and 10 for \$5.

**Book Lovers Unite!**



The Book Club meets 2nd Monday of each month for lunch and discussion.

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.

March 10th, 12:30 regular lunch and discussion

**Elmer's Restaurant**

175 N Agness, Grants Pass

Please be sure and contact Beth Lenz to **let her know you plan to attend**. The restaurant requests a head count to make sure a server is available for us.

Happy reading/listening!



**Please RSVP to Beth Lenz**

[bethlenz02@gmail.com](mailto:bethlenz02@gmail.com)  
 541-218-5938



COME BOWL WITH US! Dave Tyson, Larry Boynton, Barb Mahan, Kenny Bartunek, Debra Wilson, Starr Terra, Craig McKee-Parks and Lynn Burke

**Mexican Train**  
**THE BEAR HOTEL**  
**2101 NE Spalding**

**February 5 & 26th**  
**March 12th & 19th**

**NOTE THE DATE CHANGE**

**Doors open at 12:30**

**Bring your quarters, dominoes and racks!**

**If you'd like to share a snack please be sure it is commercially prepared**

Questions & RSVP

Sandy Antich

**541-218-4015**

[sandygoing@hotmail.com](mailto:sandygoing@hotmail.com)



**PLEASE LET LYNN KNOW YOU ARE COMING,  
SHE NEEDS TO RESERVE LANES**

**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

**March 13th & 27th**

**April 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**

**LUNCH BUNCH**  
**March 7th 1pm**

Powderhorn Café  
321 NE 6th  
Grants Pass

**RSVP to Sherrill Eads**

**623-221-9994**

[sserenatea@yahoo.com](mailto:sserenatea@yahoo.com)



3rd Monday of each month

Location is kept secret to avoid having woman crash the party

Contact Terry O'Dell for the location  
503-812-0381

**LIGHT GARDEN GLASS ART**

1086 Washburn Lane

Medford, OR

Website: [lightgarden.net](http://lightgarden.net)

Tuesday, March 4th

10-12pm

**Please contact Connie directly for info on this class**

This introductory class "Try Fusing!" lets you play with a lot of the materials that you can use to decorate fused glass. Basic instructions, patterns, materials, class fee and firing are all included in the \$15 price.

Please contact Connie Hager ASAP to secure a spot!

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



Samples of glass art made by our members at the January class



**HAND & FOOT, 5 CROWN,  
KINGS IN THE CORNER  
CARD GAMES**

**Elks Lodge**

618 SE J Street, Grant Pass

1st & 3rd Thursdays

**We start at 12:00 PM for LUNCH**

**Please be patient, card games will begin  
AFTER LUNCH**

We all must pay for our lunch in order to use the room to play cards. No pay—no play. Menu has many under \$10 items

**Cash only**

**March 6th & 20th**

**April 3rd & 17th**

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

**LET'S EAT OUT**

**THE GROWLER GUYS**

**(AKA OLD DMV)**

**531 NE F ST**

**GRANTS PASS**

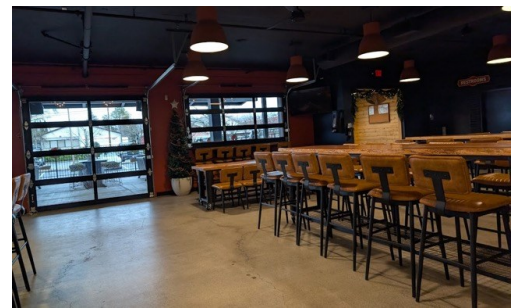
**MARCH 14TH**

**5PM**

**RSVP**

**LINDA LONNQUIST**

**805-990-0558**



Prize table at Card Bingo





WOW! Did you make it to **Card Bingo** on 2/11? If not you really missed a good time. Everyone got a gift bag filled with goodies. There were also door prizes! Cheesecake and other baked goods and beautiful valentine cookies. Lots of laughter and a few even went home with some prize money! We plan to have this event again so be sure and sign up Thank you Sandy Antich for hosting this event and working so hard to make it the success it was.



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).

Business Card ads are \$36/6month

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.

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REAL ESTATE**



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**CENTURY 21**

J.C. Jones American Dream

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We treat you like family!



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**The Board for 2024-2025**

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