A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Ladies,

I hope you are ready for a challenge! Our speaker this month at Black Diamond Country Club is Mary Ann Machonkin, President of the Genealogy Society, who will talk to us about “Tracing Your Family Roots.” After hearing her presentation I know we will all want to put our detective skills to work to learn more about our own roots. Could I be related to someone rich or famous? I wonder what I will discover.

February is a busy time of year for Citrus Newcomers. It is the time of year that we begin to create our slate of officers for next year. We need you! We need new ideas, new faces, and new energy to help keep our club fresh and energized. At our luncheon this month there will be half sheets of paper on the tables for you to fill out and let us know how you would like to help out next year. Our board meets once a month so your commitment isn’t demanding. In fact, it is lots of fun! We work hard, share the tasks, support each other, and laugh a lot!

If you are interested in serving on the board, working on a committee, or helping with occasional activities, but cannot attend this month’s luncheon, please contact Judy Herron, Chairman of the Nominations Committee at 860-0232.

I hope that you are participating in the many activities that Newcomers provides for your enjoyment. Be sure to check out our new website, citrusnewcomers.org to see everything that is planned for the rest of the year. It might be hard to do everything, but it might be fun to try! With that thought, be sure to sign up for next month’s luncheon early. It is our Fashion Show featuring the apparel of Coldwater Creek and it will fill up quickly! Don’t hesitate or you might be too late.

Sharon

MARCH 24 LUNCHEON MEETING

Time: 11:30 a.m.
Place: Citrus Hills Golf & Country Club, 509 E. Hartford St., Hernando
Cost: $15.00
Menu: Honey Mustard Chicken Salad, Chocolate Cake & Ice Cream
Program: Fashions by Coldwater Creek, The Villages

Instructions for all luncheon meetings:
Please do not wear denim, but do bring a jacket or sweater as we cannot control room temperatures. Menus are fixed – no substitutions. A cash bar is always available at each luncheon with drink specials just for Newcomers.

Make check payable to Citrus Newcomers Club and mail to Frances Hamilton, 237 N. Golf Harbor Path, Inverness, Fl. 34450-1967. A reservation exists when your check has been received. Call Frances at 341-3911 for more information or sign up & pay for the next month at the luncheon.

SUNSHINE CORNER

If you know one of our members is ill or needs a kind thought during a difficult period, please contact Jackie Madiol (527-9997) or e-mail her: send2jackie@tampabay.rr.com.
SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, February 25 $5.00 per person
**CHILI COOK OFF**, Floral City Community Center - Not too late to join this spicy group. Contact Jackie Madiol 527-9997 for more information.

Tuesday, March 8 $24.00 per person
**BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY’S BRUNCH**
Filled - Waiting list only
10:30 a.m. $24 per person – 40 person limit
Call Jo Roskow at 527-8447 or Mary Ann Conroy at 746-3675 to put your name on the wait list if there is a cancellation.

Friday, March 18 $25.00 per person
**SHIRE FARM**, Ocala 1:00 p.m.
Outdoor wagon ride viewing & feeding carrots to Devonshire horses. Wear comfortable, casual clothes. Lunch at Mason Jar at 11:30 a.m. on your own. Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232 for more information.

Friday, March 25 $31.40 per person
11:30 a.m. matinee, leaving here at 9:30 a.m.
**MEDIEVAL TIMES, Orlando**, Step back in time with epic battles, jousting tournaments, knights, romance, and a royal feast in a castle. Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232 for more information.

Tuesday, March 29 11:30 a.m.
Creek Side, 4135 S. Suncoast (Rt. 19), Homosassa
Lunch bunch – buffet or order from their menu.
Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232 for more information.

Monday, April 4 $40 per person
**DIVA NIGHT**, 4-6:00 p.m. Serenity Day Spa, 1031 N Commerce Terrace, Lecanto
Treat yourself to a facial, have your hair washed and styled, and then have updated makeup applied while enjoying wine and cheese with your friends. Does life get any better than this? Limited to 25 people. Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232, for more information.

Wednesday, April 6 $14.00 per person

**TARPON SPRINGS BOAT TRIP** – 11:30 a.m
Enjoy a 1 ½ hour gulf boat trip viewing wildlife and birds in the area while sneaking a peak at some interesting homes. Lunch afterward on your own. Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232, for more information.

Wednesday, April 13 $25.00 per person
5:30 cocktails; dinner 6:30
**BLACK DIAMOND RANCH**, 2600 W. Black Diamond Circle, Lecanto
Choice of grilled salmon topped with mandarin orange fennel butter sauce, served with Basmati rice & grilled asparagus or pan roasted NY strip steak topped with mushroom sauce, served with au gratin potatoes, and grilled asparagus, includes appetizers, garden salad with balsamic or ranch dressing, coffee or tea and chocolate mousse cake with raspberry sauce & whipped cream. Invite your friends - 8 person tables can be reserved by contacting Bunny Bucci at 746-6389. Contact Judy Herron, 860-0232, for more information. Non-members are welcome to attend.

**ELEPHANT FARM** – Date and further information next month

Sunday, May 15
**PICNIC IN THE PARK**, further information next month

Tuesday, May 24
**LUNCH/COOKING DEMONSTRATION AT PUBLIX**, further information next month

PUBLICITY

Cathy Uvanni has requested that members email her pictures of members participating in activities. Please include a description of the event and names of all people in the photo (from left to right). If there are 20 or more people in the photo, names are not needed. If you see any printed news and/or photos about our group please save them for Cathy, cuvanni@tampabay.rr.com, 563-2160; and Georgette Bokash at the same time buggs006@aol.com

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
**Appetizers and Desserts Club:** Contact Carole Abner (abner5@tampabay.rr.com) or 503-7536 or Julia Southard (jsouthard1@earthlink.net) or 527-9626. Sunday, March 6, at Sharon & Chuck Gatz’ home, 1049 W. Beagle Run Loop, Hernando, 352-270-3908 or sharongatz@yahoo.com.

**Book Club:** Fourth Thursday each month at the Lakes Region Public Library, Inverness, at 1:30 p.m. Call Judy Herron at 860-8023.

**Bridge:** Those interested in playing bridge, contact Sheila Cowan at (352) 726-6053 or (925) 200-4014.

**Bunco:** If you are interested, please contact Jan Mather at 249-7384 or by e-mail janmather@copper.net.

**Card and Game Night:** Meets third Friday of each month at the Floral City Community Center. If interested, call Carol DeLisle at 341-7745.

**Discussion Group:** This group offers an alternative to a book club and meets from 3-5 p.m. on the second Monday each month at the Homosassa Library on Grover Cleveland. For more information, call Ellen Evans, 344-0839, or Judy Gray, 746-3388. March 14 discussion will be

**Kayaking:** If you are interested please contact Carol Kircoaf (305) 396-6212.

**Mah Jongg:** Do you want to learn this ancient, addictive game or become part of a local group? Call Chris Harvey at 400-4961 for more information.

**Mystery Book Club:** For information, contact Donna Anllo at 249-0889.

**Needleworks:** For more information, contact Terri Friedman, missterri41@yahoo.com or 746-1973

**Pinochle:** If you would like to play pinochle or learn to play the game, call Louise Michael at 746-4691. This group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 2:30 for approximately 3 hours.

**Singles Group:** Meet other single ladies in Newcomers and join in attending activities, car-pooling, lunches, movies, and more. Call Frances Hamilton, 341-3911.

**Stampin Divas & Paper Crafters:** There are openings in this rubber stamping group and new members are welcome. Group meets monthly at different locations on the second Thursday from 10-2 p.m. If interested contact Gerri Kowalski 860-2832 or ckowalski3@tampabay.rr.com.

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**Goethe, Bev** (Bob), 10714 N. River Ranch Path, Crystal River, 34428, 795-0447, bdgoethe@mac.com, Tallahassee, FL

**Lynn, Mary Ann**, 9210 E. Windwood Lane, Inverness, 34450, 344-2159, Jacksonville, FL

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**CREATIVE HISTORIAN**

Take a few moments to look at the box album that Georgette Bokash has put together for our group. It is an outstanding presentation of the 2010-2011 functions that began during the summer.

If you take photos at any Newcomers activity, please share them via email with Georgette. Her email address is buggs006@aol.com.
DIRECTORY ADDITIONS/ CORRECTIONS

**Edwards, Diane**, correct email address is Di-Edwards@tampabay.rr.com

**Gittinger, Marsha** (Bob Danson), renewal, 3601 E Cove Park Trail, Hernando, 34442, 726-9923, rbdmg@hotmail.com, Alexandria, VA

**Kafes, Molly**, change street address to 1381 W. Skyview Crossing Drive

**Marbutt, June** change address to 1065 W. Beagle Run Loop

**Wilkens, Pat** Change Richard’s last name to Guenste. And add state: ME

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Writing a letter to the president is a great way to express your opinion. Don’t be intimidated by writing to such an important person. It’s really easy to make sure that you address them properly. Simply use “Mr. President” in both the greeting and the body of the letter. On the envelope, you can use the title, “The President.” You can use the same wording whether you are sending a traditional letter or writing an email. Use our free Letter To The President to help you get started. If you need additional help or more examples check out some of the sample letters below. From. _____ (Name of the Person Writing the Letter). _ (Address of the Person Writing the Letter).

To: POTUS@usagovt.us
From: naomiwestbrooks@gmail.com
SUBJECT: Violation of Academic Curriculum.

Dear Mr. President. My name is Naomi Westbrooks, and I am a student at Harvard University. Today I am writing this email to share my thoughts on strict violations of rules by my Institution. Dear Madam Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:) Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (IEEPA), the National Emergences Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order declaring a national emergency to deal with the threat posed by the unrestricted acquisition or use in the United States of bulk-power system electric equipment designed, developed...