



# CALAVERAS NEIGHBORS AND NEWCOMERS

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**Happy Valentine's Day!**



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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...By Susan Baas**

Our annual Spring Tea is set for Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Vets Hall in Valley Springs. Sharon Quintana will be chairperson this year. Susan Baas will assist with the What's Cooking food group. Nancy Hill and Sue Stark will take over the Membership position replacing Sue Dorman. Marlene Buecher will fill the Treasury position for the rest of the year.

The time is approaching for our annual Philanthropy Donation selection process. We are asking that all members who want to, submit their donation suggestions to MaryAnn Evans by Feb 21: 772-8630 or [gmevans123@comcast.net](mailto:gmevans123@comcast.net). This is the first step in the process. These suggestions should be the names of local charities and not ones that we have donated to in the past two years. In the past two years CNN has donated to Hospice, the Resource Connection, Silver Paws, Common Grounds, Horse Speak, Quilts of Honor and Habitat for Humanity.

Judy Bruenn has a fun Social evening planned for us on July 17<sup>th</sup>. The plan is a hot dog picnic at Lookout Point at New Hogan Reservoir with live music by Steve Johnson. CNN will provide the hot dogs and condiments. More info to follow later. **Mark your calendars!**

Gals on the Go have a great year of events planned for this coming year. Watch for postings in our monthly Newsletters. All of the Newsletters are posted on our website: [www.mycnn.org](http://www.mycnn.org) Please check it out often. Great February fun ahead of us: Valentine's Day and Mardi Gras. **Celebrate!**

## **VICE PRESIDENT...MaryAnn Evans**

We did not have a speaker in January and because we have guests at the February luncheon we will not have a speaker. As announced by Susan Baas at our luncheon, we are looking for suggestions on which two additional charities we will donate to this year. Please send those to me at [gmeavans123@comcast.net](mailto:gmeavans123@comcast.net) See you in February.

## **LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS...Sharon Quintana**

Our February luncheon will be held on February 27<sup>th</sup> at The Highway House in Jackson. This is our sweetheart luncheon and spouses/guests are invited. Our social hour is at 11:00 am and lunch at noon. The cost is \$25 per person. The cutoff date to make or cancel reservations is Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact me via e-mail at [cnnreservations@gmail.com](mailto:cnnreservations@gmail.com) to make a reservation. Any special requests (vegetarian) need to be submitted by the cutoff date.

**\*\*\*Please be aware that if you sign up for our Luncheons and are a no show you will be responsible for reimbursing CNN for the lunch.** CNN has no control over this. Once we give the restaurant the number of attendees, we have to pay for that number. CNN does not have the resources to cover this expense.

## **MEMBERSHIP... by Sue Dorman**

We had 4 new members in January! We are ending our fiscal year with 111 remarkable ladies!! Please **'Welcome'** our newest members and add their information to your Directory. New Directories should be ready in March.

Kathie Williams

Valerie Padgett

Sandie Price

Elvia Bockman

Thanks to all of you for making my job as Membership Chair so easy these past 3 years. I appreciated your quick responses to my emails when asking for replies. I'd like to **'Welcome'** Nancy Hill and Sue Stark to this position! I know they'll do a wonderful job!! I will be collecting the 'CNN renewals' and taking care of the 2020 Directory. Nancy and Sue will be taking over everything else next month.

Remember if you bring a guest to a luncheon and they would like to join, I always have applications available for them to sign up that day at the luncheon or mail to me. Prospective members may attend 2 luncheons as a guest before joining CNN.

**If you move, change your phone or email, please let Nancy or Sue know by emailing them** (Nancy [tatind@aol.com](mailto:tatind@aol.com) , Sue [johnstark2445@comcast.net](mailto:johnstark2445@comcast.net) ) **or call them** (Nancy 890-0323, Sue 772-8593) **so they can update your information on the CNN Spreadsheet and let the membership know.**

## **FOOD BANK**

January Report will be in next Newsletter. Remember: for every \$10 donation, the food bank can purchase \$100 worth of food. Cash or checks only. Make checks to CUMC. Susan Baas



## **SUNSHINE...Carolyn Edwards**



A Get Well card was sent to Mary Anne Melson's husband Jim Melson who had surgery. Also, sadly, a Sympathy card was sent to the family of Jessie Miller, CNN Charter member, who passed away Saturday, January 25th, at her home in Acampo; she had not been well for some time. There will be no funeral service.

If you know of a member or someone in a member's immediate family who are ill or bereaved, or if there is a death in the family, please let me know so I can send a card, Carolyn Edwards: 772-2462 or [bcedwards@comcast.net](mailto:bcedwards@comcast.net).

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**



Linda MacDermott – 6th  
Connie Porto – 17th  
Jeanette Pense – 25th  
Mary Antus – 28th



## **cnslist**

**\*\*\*\*Member Linda Trapp has turned over her collection of urgently needed new or gently used items for the Calaveras Foster Care Program to member Nadine Martin.** These backpacks, totes, suitcases and duffle bags are used for children when they have to leave their homes temporarily. Please **call Nadine 209/559-7755 to arrange for pickup or more details.** Thank you Linda for your hard work over many years on this project. ....Cnslist con't next page....

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## Member Businesses

Member **Sandy Huckaby**: *Huckaby Litigation Services* - Process Service. Cell: 209/351-4956.

Member **Laurel Jolliff**: *Life Matters Insurance & Financial Services*, Life and Health Insurance, Lic # 0G06380 Call Laurel at 209/786-2021 or [www.mylifemattersnow.com](http://www.mylifemattersnow.com)

Member **Adela Hawkins**: *A+ Notary - Mobile Notary*. Call cell 209-968-8674 or home 772-0580.

"cnnslst" is a feature available to all CNN members. Member's businesses can be listed, you can post items for sale or wanted, notices of garage sales, upcoming events, or ask for/give referrals for professionals/services in the area, etc. Whenever you would like to post something in the following month's Newsletter, just email information to Editor Ann Soares, [annmail7@comcast.net](mailto:annmail7@comcast.net)

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

### TIME FOR TEA ... Sharon Quintana 772-0783



Our January tea was held at Mary Anne Melson's home. The theme was winter, and Mary Anne presented us all with gloves for long winter days. It was a lovely tea and we toasted the New Year and our absent members, Cindy and Jessie, with champagne. Our next tea is at Susan Baas' home on February 19th. Our theme is Mardi Gras. Call me at 772-0783 or email me at [squintana2222@gmail.com](mailto:squintana2222@gmail.com) if you plan on attending and let me know what you want to bring.

*"There is a subtle charm in the taste of tea which makes it irresistible and capable of idealization."*  
Kakuzo Okakura, "The Book of Tea"

### MEXICAN TRAIN... Marlene Buecher 209/224-4203



The next date for Mexican Train will be next Wednesday, February 5 at the home of Sue Dorman, 6156 Berryhill Ln. (Mary Mercurio is co-hosting) at 11:00. Right now Sue says **Mexican Train is FULL** (it was announced at last week's Luncheon) due to her limited amount to accommodate. If you would like to be put on her **waiting list**, contact Sue at 772-0742 or [sdorm60@yahoo.com](mailto:sdorm60@yahoo.com)

### PINOCHLE... Elaine Alves...772-3490



2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Pinochle is on February 13. It will be at Elaine Alves, she will provide snacks and lunch please call to let her know you're coming, 772 3490.

4<sup>th</sup> Monday Pinochle is on February 24, 9-1, hosted by Sandra Kinney, please call to let her know you are coming: 209/418-8291

### CANASTA...MaryAnn Evans 772-8630



Canasta will be Monday February 20 at 10:30 at the home of Connie Porto, 165 N. Branch Ct. Gold Creek. Bring your bag lunch and quarters (about \$3.00 worth.) New players are welcome. Because it is nice to have tables of 4, **be sure to let Connie know you are coming: 772-1927 or [connielporto@yahoo.com](mailto:connielporto@yahoo.com).**

### READERS CORNER...MaryAnn Evans 772-8630



If you are a reader and would like to share your views on a book or an author, **please send those to me, MaryAnn Evans**, any time before each month's Luncheon. This month's titles are from Marlene Buecher: "Prodigal Summer" by Barbara Kingsolver - Liked  
"A Long Time Gone" by Karen White - Loved  
"19th Christmas" by James Patterson & Maxine Paetro – easy read and riveting – Loved

## GALS ON THE GO...Cathie Erickson 772-2835



Gals on the Go has three events scheduled for 2020 with at least three more to be scheduled. Following is the information to sign up:

### 1. WINE TASTING

February 20<sup>th</sup> 11am to 1pm  
Le Mulet Rouge 59 Main Street Sutter Creek  
\$20 per person this includes lunch and tasting

Please email Cathie Erickson, [cathie\\_erickson@yahoo.com](mailto:cathie_erickson@yahoo.com), to let her know that you would like to go. If you already signed up at the luncheon you do not need to contact her unless you have changed your mind. **Please mail your check by FEBRUARY 15TH** for \$20 made out to Cathie Erickson 3619 Delin Way, Valley Springs, CA 95252. You can also contact her @ 209-351-0645.

### 2. PAWS OPEN HOUSE

March 14<sup>th</sup> 10am 2pm  
Pool Station Road, San Andreas  
Adult \$25 Senior (65 and over) \$17.50

Please email Laurie Hemmes, [hennesvs@comcast.net](mailto:hennesvs@comcast.net), to let her know you would like to go. **We need to have an accurate count of attendees by February 15<sup>th</sup>**. We will carpool from Marval as parking at PAWS may be limited. Please mail your check made out to Laurie Hemmes 2016 Blake Lane, Valley Springs, CA 95252. You can also contact her @510-205-3743. **Many Thanks to Gemma for getting us a 50% discount!!!**

### 3. KOMEN SACRAMENTO "MORE THAN PINK WALK"

May 30<sup>th</sup>  
Sacramento State University  
\$15 to \$25 depending on when you register

We have created a Team – **Gals on the Go** – in honor of Cindy Reading. This walk is 2 miles with rest stops along the way. You will need to sign up and pay online. To sign up: Search: Sacramento More than Pink Walk 2020. Click register, join the team (Gals on the Go), then create a user name and password. As you proceed it may ask for donations which would be up to you. Margi will be notified when your registration is complete. Please contact Margi Silva [dpsharley@gmail.com](mailto:dpsharley@gmail.com) or 209-329-5070 if you have questions.

#### Future Events to be scheduled:

Horse Racing – California State Fair July 2020

Top Golf - September 2020

Cooking Class – Yankee Hill Winery, Columbia October 2020

\*\*\* Just a reminder that you can still order Gals on the Go shirts. The price is \$18.00 up to X Large and \$20.00 for XXL. Contact Cathie Erickson (209-351-0645) ASAP to be included in the next order.



## WHAT'S COOKING? ...Susan Baas (786-9898)



Our What's Cooking? group celebrated Chinese New Year at Marty Luckey's home. The food was outstanding and we all had very optimistic fortunes in our cookies. In February we will enjoy Minestrone soup at Susan's house and have our annual business meeting.

## SOCIAL...Judy Bruenn 772-3555



Thank you Gemma and Bill Gylling for hosting our first Social of the year. It was a fun and enjoyable evening with many of us in attendance (See pic, more below.) The appetizers everyone brought to share were fantastic.



Our next social will be at the home of Susan and Ted Baas on Friday, February, 21st at 5:30 p.m. Their home is located at 8624 Watts Dr., V.S. Please call Susan, 786-9898, or email her at [baasfthills@caltel.com](mailto:baasfthills@caltel.com) if you plan to attend. And please don't wait until the last minute. Our hosts need a few days to prepare.

Everyone is asked to bring an appetizer and whatever they prefer to drink including soda and water. Glasses, plates, ice, and napkins are provided by our hosts. Our Socials are all scheduled for the year. Thanks to all who have volunteered to host. Judy



## RECIPES AND MORE...MaryAnn Evans 772-8630



Ladies, we want to hear from you regarding favorite recipes, cooking tips, and/or just to share kitchen experiences. **Please send your info to me (MaryAnn) any time before each month's Luncheon. [EDITOR'S NOTE: please be sure you send your recipe typed, NOT a copy of a page from a magazine, cookbook or newspaper.]** This month's recipe is from Judy Bruenn

### Kentucky Butter Cake

2 cups sugar  
 4 eggs  
 1 cup unsalted butter (2 sticks)  
 2 tsp. rum (or vanilla)  
 1 cup buttermilk  
 3 cups all-purpose flour  
 1 tsp. salt  
 1 tsp. baking powder  
 1/2 tsp. baking soda

### Sauce

3/4 cup sugar  
 1/3 cup unsalted butter  
 3 Tbsp. water  
 2 tsp. rum or vanilla

Combine dry ingredients, set aside. In a large bowl cream sugar, eggs, unsalted butter rum (or vanilla) and buttermilk. Add dry to the wet ingredients and mix until combined. Pour batter into a **well greased** bundt pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 55-60 minutes. Insert a toothpick to check for doneness. Cool in pan for at least 30 minutes. For the sauce combine all ingredients in a saucepan and cook over medium heat until fully melted. **Do not boil.** Pour over cake slowly, cake will soak up the sauce. Serves 10.

## CNN FEBRUARY 2020 EVENT CALENDAR

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