

Tallahassee Women's Newcomers Club Hosts Elegant High Tea to Welcome Fresh Faces

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The clink of fine china and the scent of fresh scones filled the air last Wednesday as the Tallahassee Women's Newcomers Club hosted its first High Tea, welcoming recent arrivals to the community with warmth, charm, and a touch of tradition.

Held at the home of Rita Moore, the event drew rave reviews from those in attendance who hope this will become an annual event. From newcomers seeking connections to long-time members eager to extend a hand, the gathering proved to be both elegant and inclusive.

Ladies were encouraged to wear a hat and dress for the occasion. Geri Quirk won the \$50 gift card prize for "Best Hat" that was generously donated by Carrabba's. She looked stunning in her pink hat that she adorned with lace, flowers and a butterfly.

Tables were adorned with lace linens and fresh flowers, while guests sipped Earl Grey and lavender chamomile from vintage teacups. Janie Fuch's loaned many of her teapots and tea cups to make each table special. A spread of cucumber sandwiches, egg bites, scones, petit fours, fruit kebobs and much more complemented the refined setting.

Beyond the tea and treats, the event featured introductions and conversations. Intimate gatherings like these are designed to foster friendships as members become better acquainted with one another.

The Tallahassee Women's Newcomers Club, founded in 1973, offers regular social gatherings, book clubs, card groups, craft groups, walking groups, and field trip opportunities. TWNC's May High Tea was a highlight in its spring calendar and a perfect example of its mission: helping strangers become neighbors.

For more information about the Tallahassee Women's Newcomers Club or to join, email TLHnewcomers@gmail.com and visit <https://tallahasseenewcomers.com>



Geri Quirk, Membership Chair and winner of "Best Hat" contest signing in members and guests



Sharon Teskey, Sheila Lavelle, Kathianne Roberts and Lisa Massa enjoying their tea and treats



Some of the delicious food donated by members



One of the lovely tables awaiting ladies for High Tea



Jo Brannon, Leah Wiederspahn, Sheila LaVelle, Kathianne Roberts, Jackie Cotsonas, and Rita Moore show off their hats.