

the WELCOME MAT

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello, Members:

I am looking forward to hearing Eva Jimenez talk about the STEPUP Program at our general meeting on March 24th because as a club we may consider donating our scholarship funds to the program. Something to think about.

By mid-March, I will have received my second jab, as the British say, of the COVID-19 vaccine, and I will be past the two-week waiting period. I am so looking forward to getting together with friends and family who have also been vaccinated. This has been a long, hard road we have walked this past year. I'm also looking forward to enjoying some spring weather and flowers. Cheers to all of you and see you on Zoom!

President Freddie Martin

Begin each day with a grateful heart.

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MARCH COLOR IS FAIR AQUA

Empathetic and intuitive. A hue that assists when intuition is needed and helps people navigate between their conscious and subconscious.

IN MEMORIAM



Carol Geise
 Tami Gerhard

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Never lose hope. Storms make people stronger and never last forever.”

Roy T Bennett

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MARCH GENERAL MEETING PROGRAM SHASTA COLLEGE STEP-UP

STEP UP Shasta Technical Education Program-Unified Partnership is a restorative justice program providing educational and vocational training to formerly incarcerated students and students who are currently under court-directed supervision with financial, educational, and administrative support.

Join us on Zoom at 10AM on March 24th to listen to Program Founder/Executive Director and current VP of Economic & Workforce Development Eva Jimenez take us through the STEP-UP process and share the achievements of this worthwhile Program. She will also have a guest student who is in the program share her story.

Note: Zoom program presentations run about 20 minutes followed by a five-minute Q&A. Newcomer President and Zoom Host Freddie Martin will email the Zoom code a few days prior to all members.

Need help in connecting? Contact Freddie at 355.5806, Peggy Niswander at 222.1315, or Johnni Hansen at 605.4765.

Vicki Burroughs

A SHOE DRIVE?

Now's the time to make room in your closet. Soles4Souls provides relief during disasters, fights poverty by helping people start small businesses, helps the planet so shoes don't end up in a landfill, and aims to empower women. The shoes are sent to communities in the US as well as to 127 countries. Soles4Souls is asking for gently used shoes of all types. You can call or text Lana Gransfors at 530.945.6416, and she can pick up your shoes or give you directions to a delivery spot.

www.soles4souls.org

ATTENTION BRIDGE PLAYERS

Monday bridge, which meets on the second and fourth Mondays, has disbanded. The group decided at this time it is too difficult going forward with the existing group or to find new subs who would be willing to play. If we decide to start again, we will let you all know, and it will be on the calendar.

Sharon Roberts, Chair

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“No winter lasts forever;
no spring skips its turn.”
Hal Borland
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Smiles

By Carol Whitney

“
I'm so glad friendship doesn't
come with a price tag. I could
never afford the wonderful
people in my life.
”

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 DARK Bunco DARK Mah Jongg	2 DARK Mexican Train	3 DARK Prospective Member Coffee	4 DARK Matinee & Critique DARK Round Robin (P)	5 DARK Coloring Craze
8 DARK Bunco Ladies Bridge	9 DARK Kitchen Kapers DARK Double Deck Pass (P)	10 DARK Redd Thumb DARK Charmers (B) DARK Ladies- Only Dine Out	11 Welcome Mat Submissions for April DARK Open Bridge DARK Hand & Foot DARK Why Cook Tonight?	12 DARK Quilt 'n' Friends
15 DARK Bunco DARK Mah Jongg DARK Writers Group	16 10AM VIRTUAL Board Meeting DARK Ladies Open Pinochle	17 DARK Hand & Foot DARK Needlenuts	18 DARK Creative You	19 DARK Trumpettes (P) DARK Outdoor Adventures
22 DARK Bunco Ladies Bridge	23 DARK Luncheon Party	24 10AM VIRTUAL General Mtg DARK Charmers (B)	25 DARK Book Review DARK Pick of the Vine DARK Open Bridge DARK Lucky Ladies (P)	26 DARK Out-to-Lunch Bunch
29 DARK Bunco DARK Mah Jongg	30	31		

MARCH



SEND A LITTLE SUNSHINE

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The following cards
were sent in February

GET WELL

Pat Sprague is recovering from an ankle injury.

THINKING OF YOU

Mabel Lythgoe is at home recovering from a fall last month.

SYMPATHY

Past member Carol Geise recently passed away. A sympathy card was sent to her family. She earned a doctorate in public health nursing. Carol's husband Dr Herbert Geise was a pediatrician and is retired from public health administration. They have six children; one is a teacher in this area.

Penny Gironda's husband Jim passed away February 8th after a long struggle with kidney disease.

ROSTER UPDATES

Please remember to notify
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BIRTHDAYS

Linda	Catlin	3
Joanne	Locke	3
Connie	Bond	5
Annette	Spitsen	5
Marian	Wynn	5
Jan	Jeffries	6
Ella	Borgwat	7
Sandy	DeCourcy	7
Sally	LaPuma	7
Marie	Ott	8
Nancee	Huett	9
Sylvia	Prichard	11
Shirley	Steele	12
Hope	Bjerke	13
Gwen	Knaebel	13
Pat	Sprague	13
Pat	Malotte	17
Terry	Graves	18
Joyce	Morrow	18
Sandi	Cain	19
Liz	LaMarre	20
Janie	LaCroix	21
Cleone	Anderson	22
Kathleen	Brown	22
Linda	Perano	23
Andree	Nippe	24
Ann	Hochstetler	26
Joan	Tornai	26
Mary	Bond	27
Doris	Mendez	27
Jan	Mecchi	28
Shirley	Davis	29
Joyce	Way	30



“ Hope is a force of nature. Don't let anyone tell you different.”
Jim Butcher

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MEMBERS SHARING

How would your friends describe you? Friendly.

What are some things that are okay to do occasionally, but definitely not okay to do every day? House cleaning.

If your five-year-old self suddenly found herself inhabiting your present-day body, what would your five-year-old self do first? Go hug my grandfather.

What is the weirdest thing you have seen in someone else's home? I don't know if I would say "weird," maybe more unusual. I was invited to a Newcomers meeting in Simi Valley in another member's home. When I went inside, she had painted every wall in her house with various shades of green! The whole house.

Is there something from your childhood you wish was still popular today? Unfortunately, that's almost 75 years ago, so I am sure there are many things.

What was your favorite toy as a child? How did you get it? A doll. Probably a birthday present.

Who was your biggest celebrity crush as a teen? I really didn't have one.

If you found a genie in a bottle, what would you wish for? That people would be more kind and understanding of others.

How would your friends describe you? I would hope my friends would describe me as a someone who cares very deeply about our friendships.

What are some things that are okay to do occasionally, but definitely not okay to do every day? I really enjoy going out to breakfast, lunch, and dinner. So once we get a better handle on this virus, that will be one of the things I do.

If your five-year-old self suddenly found herself inhabiting your present-day body, what would your five-year-old self do first? My five-year-old self in this present-day body would go roller skating.

What is the weirdest thing you have seen in someone else's home? I think one of the oddest things I have seen in a friend's home was a tire for a chair in their living room.

Is there something from your childhood you wish was still popular today? I would like to see ice cream trucks with music come back today.

What was your favorite toy as a child? How did you get it? I had a stuffed elephant, which I had for many years. A gift from my mother.

Who was your biggest celebrity crush as a teen? This one is easy. Yul Brynner.

If you found a genie in a bottle, what would you wish for? If I found a genie, I would wish this horrible virus would be eradicated.

How would your friends describe you? Creative, patient, and funny.

What are some things that are okay to do occasionally, but definitely not okay to do every day? Have cake for dessert.

If your five-year-old self suddenly found herself inhabiting your present-day body, what would your five-year-old self do first? Go to a sleep-over summer camp.

What is the weirdest thing you have seen in someone else's home? A miniature goat named "Buck," who thought he was a dog.

Is there something from your childhood you wish was still popular today? Experiencing the trust in the world that your kids are perfectly safe roaming the neighborhood or the hills around the neighborhood by themselves.

What was your favorite toy as a child? How did you get it? An image projector for artwork. Santa brought it.

Who was your biggest celebrity crush as a teen? John Lennon. As an adult, Sam Heughan!

If you found a genie in a bottle, what would you wish for? That the entire human race would have a profound respect for all life in this world. That's always been my one wish.



SANDY DICKSON



JONI KAFEL



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3. Click on Register. A new page will appear.
4. Enter the password **RNC2018** and click on Enter. A new page will appear.
5. Complete all the following information:

First Name	Birthdate
Phone Number	User Name
Mobile Number	Password
Last Name	Confirm Password (Be sure to remember your password. We will not have a record of what it is.)
Email Address	
6. Your registration will then need to be authorized. This may take a day to accomplish. Either Sharon Roberts or Carol Skill checks the website daily to activate new registrations.
7. When you sign in, the user name you will enter will be either your email address OR your username, and the password you will enter will be whatever you have selected.
8. If you have trouble, contact Carol Skill (fskill@shasta.com) or Sharon Roberts (jimandsharon@charter.net) for help.

It's Time...

Please continue to support your club. Even without our usual activities in these strange times & in the absence of other income, the club still has ongoing expenses (insurance, website fees, newsletter printing cost).

Please continue your support and send in your check to renew your membership for 2021-2022. Membership dues are required by 31 May 2021.

Please make your \$30 check payable to

REDDING NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS

Mail to

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After 31 May, your dues will be \$40 (a \$10 late fee). So save yourself ten bucks and mail it in today.

NOTE: IF YOU'D LIKE TO SEE THE BUDGET, PLEASE LOGIN TO OUR WEBSITE TO VIEW THE DOCUMENT.