

REDDING NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS

# WELCOME MAT

JANUARY 2025



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from RUTH PLATO

Well it's hard to believe that 2025 is upon us. I hope everyone had a fantastic holiday. I'm excited and looking forward to a new year of enjoying many more activities with Newcomer Friends . Hope this year brings health and wellness to all .



## GREETERS for the GENERAL MEETING ON JANUARY 16, 2025

from Vicki Burroughs

The KAYAKERS will be our Greeters. HEIDI NIETSCHMANN is the Chair of this group that meets primarily in the summer months. Contact Heidi at 510 375-5132 or V3smiths@yahoo.com, if you are interested in going on a Kayaking adventure in the upcoming months.

## Guest Speaker for the January 2025 General Meeting

from Elizabeth Sherman

Sgt Ryan Ellis, the current K9 Supervisor and a prior K9 Handler, will speak on the Redding Police Department's K9 Teams. Officer Vega and K9 Gunner are one of the 5 Teams that will be visiting us. They will answer any questions you have about this unique program.

## 2024 CHRISTMAS CHARITIES RECAP

from PAT DEEM & TRUDY RIBEIRO

We want to thank all our Newcomer Members for their generosity at our Christmas Charities event. The Committee Chairmen appreciated all the enthusiastic help they received from their volunteers in making this event a huge success. The gifts donated, the raffle tickets sold, the home-made cookies brought in (and then eaten), the Baristas serving coffee & tea, the Quilt made by our own Quilt'n Friends group for the raffle and the friendship shared during lunch, all made for a wonderful event. THANK YOU!

The event Chairmen, Pat Deem and Trudy Ribeiro, met with their Committee and planned the distribution of the \$2360 funds raised. A check is being sent to the following: Exodus Farms, Eagles Soar, Pioneer School Students' Store & Whiskeytown Camp.

Do you have any suggestions for next year's event? Let Pat or Trudy know: Call, Text or Email.

# JANUARY 2025

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		1	2 DARK What Have You Been Reading?	3 DARK Out-to-Lunch Bunch
6	7 1PM Mexican Train	8 10AM Prospective Member Coffee 1230PM Charmers (B) 5PM Ladies-Only Dine Out  February <i>Welcome Mat</i> Submissions Due	9 10AM Redd Thumb Garden Group	10 10AM Quilt N Friends
13 Movie and Meal <i>Please Note: Movie and Meal info will be sent by email to all members when plans are set.</i>	14 10AM Board Mtg 1230PM Double Deck Pass (P)	15 1230PM Hand and Foot 1PM Writers Group 530PM Pick of the Vine	16 10AM General Meeting 1230PM Lucky Ladies (P) 530PM Why Cook Tonight?	17 DARK Outdoor Adventures
20	21	22 1230PM Charmers (B)	23 10AM Creative You	24
27 10AM Needle Nuts	28 1130AM Luncheon Party	29	30	31

**Please Note: Movie and Meal** Info will be sent out by email to all members when plans are set. Contact Becky Childs 530-224-9095.

**2: DARK What Have You Been Reading?**

**3: DARK: Out to Lunch Bunch**

**7: Mexican Train 1:00PM** 4496 Nesea Ct, Redding. RSVP Judy Keniston (408) 313-9720 or [jkeniston46@gmail.com](mailto:jkeniston46@gmail.com). If you don't know how to play we will teach you. It is an easy game to learn and is fun to play. Hope you will join us for a fun afternoon.

**8: February Welcome Mat Submissions Due**

**8: Prospective Member Coffee** hosted by Freddie Martin at 2000 Paris Avenue, Redding

**8: Charmers (B) 12:30PM**

**8: Ladies Only Dine Out 5PM** We will be dining at the Golden Star, 2257 Hilltop Dr. Please RSVP to Leslie Teryniak 530-722-9705 or Sandy Moore 530-515-2887.

**9: Redd Thumb Garden Group 10:00AM** We will be decorating wooden birdhouses with river pebbles. We will meet at the home of Patti Dauphinee, 1828 Cumberland Dr. Redding. Cost approximately \$10 for supplies which will be provided. Text or call Patti at 530 338-7962.

**10: Quilt N Friends 10:00AM** The Sewing Room Crafters Mall, 2665 Park Marina Drive. Quilters of all levels & new members are all welcome to join us. Questions? Contact Lynn Smith 661 333-2877 or Kathy Jensen 530 229-1021

**14: Board Meeting 10:00AM** Home of Trudy Ribeiro, 5653 Serena St., Redding

**14: Double Deck Pass (P) 12:30PM**

**15: Hand & Foot 1230PM** Rain or Shine. The Lighthouse Fish & Chips, 1109 Hartnell Avenue. Lunch first, then we will play until around 3PM. Hand and Foot is a form of Canasta. Beginners encouraged to come and give it a try. Heaps of fun. We're an easy-going group happy to teach new players. We would love a crowd. Please RSVP to Ame Dodge at 530.229.0829.

**15: Writers Group 1:00PM** Redding Public Library, 1100 Parkview Avenue, Fireside Room. Food is not allowed but beverages are. RSVP: Anna Gustafson 530-605-4010. Email: [gustoy@charter.net](mailto:gustoy@charter.net)

**15: Pick of the Vine 5:30PM** Hosted by Freddie Martin, at her home, 2082 Lazare Path. Gates close at 6pm so don't be late. Shasta County wines will be featured. Please bring a dish to share. Spouses & friends are welcome. Please text Sharon Salpas at 530-604-4205 by January 10th to reserve a spot.

**16 General Meeting 10:00AM** Redding Elks Lodge, 250 Elk Drive. Redding Police Department K-9 unit will make a presentation. We Can Make a Difference will be collecting for Dignity Health Connected Food Bank.

**16: Lucky Ladies (P) 12:30**

**16: Why Cook Tonight? 5:30PM** Join us at the popular RAW restaurant, 2167 Hilltop Drive on January 16 at 5:30 for a delightful, fun-filled evening. Reservations are required with a limited capacity. Please reserve your place at the Newcomer's table early. We are looking forward to bringing in 2025 with great food and camaraderie. Call Peggy Bullock (530) 941-0426 or Rita March (530) 200-7563.

**17: DARK Outdoor Adventures**

**22: Charmers (B) 12:30PM**

**23: Creative You, 10:00AM** Home of Judy Mader, 1571 Gold Hills Drive. Are you interested in making a few changes in your make-up for this New Year? I have asked Penny Colbert to show us new ideas for our aging eyebrows. How to shape, make our brows look full and dramatic adding a little oomph. We will discuss NEW products so you can look like a ROCK STAR. Please RSVP: Judy Mader 530 242 6465.

**27: Needle Nuts 10:00AM—Noon** Fairway Oaks Mobile Estates Clubhouse, 20350 Hole In One Dr., Redding. RSVP to Sherry Varga 530 209 9835. Bring any show & tell items to share & any handwork you're working on. Need help learning? You'll find it here! Beverages & snacks will be offered

**28: Luncheon Party 11:30AM Social, 12:00PM Lunch** Please join us for our first luncheon party of 2025. Our hostess will be Mary Bond, 3685 Wimbledon Dr. Our cooks will be Elizabeth Sherman, Adda Gripp and Heidi Nietschmann. If you wish to attend TEXT preferably or call Patti Sauret 530-515-1549 and leave a message January 2nd. Patti or Penny Colbert will let you know the results of the lottery within five days. Let us know in your message if you are a new member or have never been to a luncheon party before. Text anytime if you wish to be put on the cancellation list.



## WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Joyce Menta 661 618-6112 & Joann Roskoski 443 812-2094



Hello ladies !

We are off to a great New Year starting in 2025 ! This month, We CAN make a difference..... will be collecting for Dignity Health Connected Food Bank. Going back to our Roots of collecting non-perishable foods , and not having to donate for different specialty types of items (special shopping will be coming in future months) This food bank distributes food to our community for those less fortunate. We are here to help! We are collecting foods that could help make up a meal, in the way of canned fruits, vegetables and meats along with packaged dry goods (such as rice, pasta, mac & cheese, etc.) Your generous monetary gifts are ALWAYS appreciated along with your stash of foods. Make Checks payable to Dignity Health Food Bank , please or cash. The open trunk will be in the parking lot to collect before the January 16th general meeting. Thank you for your open hearts in giving.

## SUNSHINE REPORT

from Sharon Chesnut & Ame Dodge

**SHARI DOBBINS** Her husband Lauris was recently in Vibra. Unfortunately he took another fall and broke his collarbone. He is recovering at home with additional assistance.



**CAROL SCHULTZ** Home 11-20-24 from Copperridge Rehab - Doing well in her recovery from serious compression fractures.

**LAURI O'KEEFE** requested we send a card to past-member **Kathleen Seibel**. Kathleen's daughter recently passed away from cancer.

## ACTIVITIES' UPDATES

**Movie and a Meal** info will be sent out by mass email to all members when plans are set. **Contact Becky Childs 530-224-9095** if you want see a current movie and share food and comments after.

**SECRET PALS for 2025 IS BEING CREATED.** Come join us by signing up in January. You will be contacted in February as to who your special Secret Pal will be . You may send cards, gifts, & special friendship to your Secret Pal for Birthdays, Holidays, under-the-weather or just because. Don't miss out on being a special friend to a fellow Newcomer. **CONTACT ADDA GRIP by texting or calling 530 410-2461.**

## New Members and INFO CHANGES:

**Patricia Anderson** 530 440-9476 4495 Impression Way, Shasta Lake, 96019. pla1940@hotmail.com  
Likes Science, Writing, making Flyers,



**JANUARY**

Linda	French-Rodrigues	Jan-1
Barbara	Roberts	Jan-3
Jane	Metzner	Jan-7
Lynn	Smith	Jan-8
Jerri	Jones	Jan-9
Sofia	Wyant	Jan-12
Lois	Schubert	Jan-14
Rosie	Matteis	Jan-15
Judy	Keniston	Jan-16
Jan	Haskell	Jan-17
Penny	Gironda	Jan-19
Mary	Hanrahan	Jan-20
Lucinda	Williams	Jan-25
Andi	Winters	Jan-25
Janice	Gabriel	Jan-26
Laura	Schmidt	Jan-26
Patti	Dauphinee	Jan-28
Noella	Pearson	Jan-28
Valeria	Rodriguez	Jan-29
Judy	Smith	Jan-29
Janice	Tinto	Jan-29

**A “Smile” from Carol Whitney**

“It’s the New Year and it’s never too late to start exercising. That’s why I’m waiting until later. “

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Board Mtg: Jan 14 — Trudy Ribeiro’s home**  
**General Meeting: Jan 16 - Elk’s Lodge**

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