

**REDDING NEWCOMERS & FRIENDS
WELCOME MAT
SEPTEMBER 2025**



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE from ANDI WINTERS

Greetings! Welcome back to a new year of activities, friendships and fun with Redding Newcomers and Friends. This year – so far – we will be having four special events. Bringing back an exciting event as we celebrate OctoberFest with a dinner, music and games at the Gold Hills Club on October 11. Next on the calendar will be our annual Christmas Charities celebration on December 11 at the Elks Club. This is a delightful time and a great fundraiser for our local charities. Coming in April will be our annual Fashion Show and we will close out our year with our Summer Celebration in June.



SAVE THIS DATE FOR A FUN TIME!

SATURDAY OCTOBER 11, 2025 4:30 —8:00 pm

NEWCOMERS "OCTOBERFEST" EVENT

TICKETS \$30 EACH FOR MEMBERS & FRIENDS

Known as the world's largest beer festival, a beloved celebration that draws millions of people to Germany. Let's bring the celebration to us in Redding. There will be Dinner, Bingo with prizes, and Music and Entertainment at Gold Hills Golf Club, 1955 Gold Hills Drive, (at their Event Tent across from the Clubhouse). Wear your "lederhosen outfit" (short pants with suspenders & long socks for men, dirndl skirt/blouse for gals) if you choose. Bring your "S.O." or a guest.



Catered Buffet of Brats, Buns, Sauerkraut, Roasted Chicken, Warm Potato Salad, Green Salad, Pretzels, and Apple Turnovers. Beverages included: Water & Iced Tea. A "No Host Bar" will be there also. Event info via mass-email and in September Welcome Mat. Tickets sold at the Sept General Meeting on Sept 25 or send now your \$30 (per person) check payable to Newcomers to Gerri Smith, 11579 Fox Estates Court, Redding 96003. Space will be limited to 80 attendees. Join your friends & be part of the Fun. You'll be glad you did! Info? Call Gerri Smith:530 351-2069.

GREETERS for GENERAL MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

MOVIE & MEAL - The fun group that goes to a movie and then out for a meal or snack. Contact BECKY CHILDS 530 224-9095 to join in the fun with your Newcomer friends.

***September 25, General Meeting - The **MEDIA MADAM**, alias **Ame Dodge**, will have a table set up for sharing puzzles, DVDs and magazines near the Community Table. She will also be accepting any unused 2026 calendars or planners until December. Please drop off any of those items you're no longer using and take something that interests you.

S E P T E M B E R 2025

<p>1 MON</p>	<p>2 1PM TUES Mexican Train</p>	<p>3 WED</p>	<p>4 1 pm THUR What have you been reading</p>	<p>5 11:30 AM FRI Out-to-Lunch Bunch</p>
<p>8 OCTOBER <i>Welcome Mat</i> ACTIVITIES DUE DATE Email info to romonabowling@outlook.com</p>	<p>9 10 AM Simple Delish & Nutrish 11:30 AM Luncheon Party 12:30 Double Deck Pass (P)</p>	<p>10 12:30 PM Charmers (B) 1-3 pm Hand/Foot</p>	<p>11 10 AM Redd Thumb Garden Group</p>	<p>12 10 AM Quilt N' Friends</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16 10AM Board Mtg at Gerri Smith's</p>	<p>17 1:00 WRITERS GROUP 5:30PM Pick of the Vine</p>	<p>18 10:AM Creative You 12:30 PM Lucky Ladies (P)</p>	<p>19 *NEW NAME 9:00 AM *Adventures Await</p>
<p>22 10: AM NEEDLE NUTS</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 12:30 PM Charmers (B) 5:30 PM Ladies-Only Dine Out</p>	<p>25 10AM GEN. MTG OCTOBERFEST TICKETS SOLD \$30 Exchanges of Magazines, Puzzles, CD/DVD's at Gen Mtg ** DATE CHANGE 5:30 PM Why Cook Tonight</p>	<p>26</p>

SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

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.

**PROSPECTIVE NEW MEMBER COFFEE MTGS ARE CANCELLED. Guests wanting to join will be invited to a General Meeting and/or to an activity. Call Trish Sakata for more info: 209 612-1382

2. MEXICAN TRAIN 1 pm: 4496 Neseet Ct, Redding Judy Keniston 408 313-9720, Brenda Waggoner 760 876-0807

4: What Have You Been Reading? 1:00-3:00PM We will meet at Barnes and Nobles coffee shop. RSVP to Jeanne Milcheck text 530-604-9251, phone 530-222-6478. We will be discussing your latest reads.

5: Out to Lunch Bunch Social 11:30 AM, Lunch at Noon. Place: Casa Rios Grill, 1647 Hartnell Ave. #1, RSVP Please: Joyce Nanson, text/call 530-440-8295. Great food, good service, reasonably priced. Come join us.

8: Oct Welcome Mat Activities Due

9: LUNCHEON PARTY, 11:30, will be outdoors on the patio at the home of Deb Arias, 2571 D'Alene Avenue, Shasta Lake. Our cooks will be Sharon Salpas, Sandy Mann and Arlene Hascall.

If you wish to attend, please TEXT or call on September 2nd and leave a message with Debbie Davis 530-604-9111. Please mention if you are a new member, or never attended a Luncheon Party, so we can prioritize your request. All requests will be notified of the lottery results by Friday, September 5th. The price is never above \$15.00, payable at the door. Please bring cash. Kindly advise if you need to cancel no later than the day prior (Mon., Sept. 8th). No Shows and cancellations on Luncheon Party day will be charged the price of lunch. We have a waiting list of eager members who will gladly take a spot.

9: Double Deck Pass (P) 12:30PM

9: SIMPLE DELISH NUTRISH 10:00AM Val's home 191 Justin Way Rdg. Welcoming back the Newcomers Ladies with a Gut Healing Yogurt you can make at home. Join us for a fun morning where we'll enhance our culinary and healthy eating skills. We will be making a delicious probiotic rich and gut loving yogurt called L reuteri. You will be able to take a starter with you and taste the yogurt with toppings! Workshop is \$5 per person. RSVP to Val by text/call 650-868-7261.

10: Charmers (B) 12:30PM

10: Hand & Foot 1-3 pm, Holiday Market Community Room, 3315 Placer St, Redding. Buy a sandwich at the deli or enjoy some nibbles provided; play a rousing game of Hand & Foot. Have a chance to win a door prize; conveniently do your shopping; casual attire. We teach. Plan to join us! No need to RSVP. Questions? Call Cheryl Zeh at 530.360.0314

11: Redd Thumb Garden Group 10AM Please join us at Patti Dauphinee's home, 1828 Cumberland Dr, Rdg. We will create unique flower vases using dried pressed flowers and Mod Podge. Materials provided. Cost: approx. \$6 RSVP by 9/5 Text/ Call 530 338-7962

12: QUILT 'N FRIENDS 10 AM We will meet at the home of Lynn Smith (2123 Oshea Way) Rdg. Reveal of "My Happy Place" Summer projects and Show & Tell. All interested are welcome. RSVP to Lynn at 661-333-2877

16 Board Meeting 10:00AM Home of Gerri Smith 11579 Fox Estates Court, Rdg RSVP 530 351-2069

17 Writers Group 1:00PM: The Library is closed in September as they are doing remodeling. So the Writers Group will be meeting at the Paris Park Clubhouse, Paris Avenue, Redding RSVP Anna Gustafson. 530 605-4010

17: Pick of the Vine 5:30PM Hosted by Debbie Davis at her home at 239 Ironwood Ln, Redding. Please bring a dish to share. Spouses and friends are welcome. Please text Lynette at 530-941-1520 by September 7th to reserve a spot. Good wine for a good price!

18: Creative You 10:00AM At Mary Hanrahan's home, 4090 Cheryl Drive, Redding 96002. It's the end of summer and, for our last trip to the beach, we will be making Sea Glass art! No cost for this particular event. RSVP: Mary Hanrahan (text only) 530-262-8601 or Sandi Cain (530)355-1166.



18: Lucky Ladies (P) 12:30P

19 Adventures Await (NEW NAME)

Join me for a McCloud adventure!

We will visit McCloud Heritage Junction Museum which is free/donation then have Lunch at Yaks in Dunsmuir. We will be Carpooling (\$5 for gas) when you RSVP also let me know if you can help drive if needed. Meet by Baskin-Robbins off Lake Blvd at 9:45 AM. We Leave At 10am. RSVP:

Call or text Heidi Nietschmann 510-375-5132

22: 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.

24: LADIES ONLY DINE-OUT 5:30 at Korean BBQ, 40 Hartnell, next door to Yama Sushi, red & white wines available. Plan to pay cash for meals under \$10. RSVP Sandy Mann 626-487-5115, slm0077@yahoo.com

24: Charmers (B) 12:30

25: GENERAL MEETING 10:00AM Redding Elks Lodge, 250 Elk Get ready for an inspiring presentation from Shannon Phillips, COO of the McConnell Foundation! She'll be sharing an inside look at the foundation's dynamic real estate projects—past, present, and what's on the horizon.

MEDIA MADAM, AME DODGE, will have a table for free exchanges of: Magazines, Puzzles, CD/DVD's.

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE will NOT be collecting this month.

Octoberfest Tickets \$30 on Sale today.

25: *DATE CHANGE: WHY COOK TONIGHT 5:30 PM Start the year off right by joining us at Huff's on beautiful Lake Shasta. Great food - excellent service. +++Fun Night+++
RSVP before September 23. It is important to let us know so the restaurant can set the number of places. RSVP Peggy Bullock 530-941-0426 or



WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE Joyce Menta 661 618-6112



We CAN make a difference..... is **NOT** collecting this month.

BUT Be on the look out for our first collection in November!

More info to come. I'm excited for a great year giving back to our youth non-profits. Thank you , Joyce Menta

RE- MINDER: Send all "MASS EMAIL" requests for publication to both Carol Skill and Sharon Roberts. They share this job!



NEWCOMERS' ACTIVITIES UPDATE

VICKI BURROUGHS Activities Coordinator 530-949-0115

As always, contact Vicki for any permanent Activity date or time change.

OPENINGS AVAILABLE FOR CHAIR OR CO-CHAIR —2025-2026 ACTIVITIES

. WELCOME MAT CO-EDITOR—Work with Romona Bowling on the monthly Welcome Mat

Past Presidents: Gerry Carroll, Sharon Roberts, Gerri Smith, Freddie Martin, Adda Gripp with our new 2025-6 President: Andi Winters.



2025-6 NEW BOARD OFFICERS

Andi Winters, Karen Coupe-Bonnett, Freddie Martin, Trish Sakata, Judy Keniston, Tammy Douse

June 26, 2025 SUMMER CELEBRATION

Chair: Tammy Douse





SEPT

Linda Feldman	Sept 1
Sharon Martin	Sept 9
Janet Pearson	Sept 12
Barbara Weber	Sept 16
Marty McFarland	Sept 20
Lisa Bernstein	Sept 21
Gerry Carroll	Sept 21
Karen Coupe-Bonnett	Sept 23
Barbara Leininger	Sept 23
Annie Ogden	Sept 23
Sandra Fisch	Sept 24
Jacklyn Williams	Sept 24
Pam Albo	Sept 25
Lynette Gibson	Sept 25
Judy Seibel	Sept 28
Ruth Marks	Sept 30

NEW MEMBERS

PAM CROWE 530 246-2653 287 Ironwood Lane, Rdg 96003 pthayer17@gmail.com

DANA GILBERTSON 530 403-0976 1905 Garden Ave Rdg 96001 danlar89@aol.com Likes: Crafts, gardening and has "techi talents"

CONNIE KNIGHT 530 276-1440 4093 Hyde Park Ct, SL 96019 Likes: Crafts, Camping, Travel

SHERRY ZIMMERMAN 408 568-3245 13462 Luna Lane Rdg 96003 sherrylynnzim@gmail.com likes: baking, crafts, camping, thrifting, hospitality

MEMBER CHANGES:

SHERRY RUFF: Cell Phone only 530 515-3868

VICKY WILSON: New Address—6811 Bynum Loop, Rdg 96003 530 356-4475

SHARI DOBBINS: New Apt #2105

ANNETTE SPITSEN: New email: annettespitzen72@gmail.com

VICKI BURROUGHS : New Address—6158 Lucca Trail, Redding 96003

SMILES from CAROL WHITNEY

My doctor asked if anyone in my family suffers from mental illness. I said, "No. We all seem to enjoy it!"



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BOARD MEETING: SEPT 16 at Gerri Smith's
GENERAL MEETING: SEPT 25 at the ELK'S

EXECUTIVE BOARD—2025-2026

President—Andi Winters
 1st VP— Trish Sakata
 2nd VP —Freddie Martin
 Membership— Karen Coupe-Bonnett
 Secretary—Judy Keniston /Trish Sakata
 Treasurer—Tammy Douse

WELCOME MAT INFO DUE SEPT 8

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SUNSHINE REPORT from Sharon Chesnut
ANNA PETERSON passed this summer. We will miss her. She was a 25 year Newcomer member.



SHEILA CISSNEY'S husband, **LARRY**, passed. Sheila is a 35 yr member. A celebration of life planned for late Sept. Info from daughter, Dana, email : 12seek11@gmail.com.
 A reminder: Our members appreciate getting cards and calls, so send me any info you hear about members needing our concern and care.
 Thanks, Sharon.

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