



**Welcome Club of Henderson County  
May 2009**

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

**Hello,**

**Welcome home to our members returning from the warmer climates. All of us are looking forward to the beauty of special flora , spring's vibrant colors, listening to our song birds and the babbling streams that our community is privileged to enjoy. Let's seek the company of our members and the great rebirth of Western North Carolina's spring time.**

**If you have not put the Spring Fling on your calendar for May 20th, please do. As our big fundraiser of the year, prepare for a great time at Hendersonville Country Club with the scrumptious buffet, fun, games and the drawings! One group has already requested Farkle game. All of this is planned to support the worthy charity, the Free Clinics of Henderson County. Clara Barton, you may recall, founded another healthcare group in 1888 on May 20<sup>th</sup>. Let's do our part to support the Free Clinics assist those lacking health care. Handouts and information will be available at your tables. If you have a donation or know of a merchant willing to donate items for the drawing or prizes, let us know at 697-5911 or [nanette720@hotmail.com](mailto:nanette720@hotmail.com). Donors names will appear in the newsletter and on the events agenda, so that members may thank and patronize their businesses. If you are unable to attend, remember you call still donate to the Free Clinics. Send your checks to Sue Hatch, Treasurer, at 137 Warlick Rd., Mills River, 28759.**

**Another opportunity to catch up with members is Coffee and Conversation on April 21<sup>st</sup>. at 10:00. being hosted by Jeannie Medlin in convenient Laurel Park. Our co-hostess providing their culinary delights are Mary Boteiho, Linda Cudd, and Lois Kaupa. See you there.**

**The Bunko Salad Luncheon was a great success because of our events chairperson, Shirley Banks' skills and efforts. Thank you to those who gave their time and talents. We are blessed with great ladies. The Bunko and Farkle games will be at the Spring Fling. Don't miss the opportunity to yell things like, "You Farkled". Read the newsletter for spring opportunities.**

**May's birthstone, the green emerald, has tiny fractures or inclusions, which the French call "jarbin" or garden because of their resemblance to foliage. Well, we may not have emerald gems, but we have the color. Have a great month of May which was named for "the goddess of spring".**

**Nan**

**YOU ASKED FOR IT – AND HERE IT IS!!**

**THE MOST REQUESTED RECIPE AT THE**

**BUNKO/FARKLE LUNCHEON**

**Pecan Pie Cake**

Linda Cudd

**1 box of yellow cake mix**  
**1 stick of margarine**  
**3 eggs**  
**1 ½ cups of chopped pecans**  
**1 box powdered sugar**  
**8 oz. of cream cheese**

**Melt the margarine, and mix it, the cake mix, and 1 egg together and press into the bottom of a 13x9x2 or similar sized pan.**

**Sprinkle the chopped pecans evenly over the mixture.**

**In a separate bowl, mix the powdered sugar, the cream cheese, and the other 2 eggs with a mixer for approximately 3 minutes.**

**Pour this over the cake mix, and bake it for approximately 30–35 minutes at 350 degrees until top is brown.**

**Score the top in sections as soon as it is done. This keeps the top from cracking, and makes nicer looking squares.**

# Spring Fling

Wednesday, May 20 – Noon

Hendersonville Country Club

Cost: \$27.00 per person

Spring is in the air and it is a perfect time to join your Welcome Club Members at our annual Spring Fling Fund Raiser. Bring a guest(s) to join in the fun. We will enjoy a wonderful luncheon at the Hendersonville Country Club, an afternoon of fund and games, door prizes, and a raffle of some great items.

Our games will include games of canasta, bridge, boggle, farkle, mah jongg, scrabble, and trivial pursuit. Our 2009 charity is the Free Clinics of Henderson County. Each game group will be responsible for bringing their own game/supplies for their table.

Please complete the Reservation Form found in this Newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Banks at 698-5980 or [sabanks@mchsi.com](mailto:sabanks@mchsi.com) or Nan Dellamea at 697-5911 or [nanette720@hotmail.com](mailto:nanette720@hotmail.com)

Reservations are due by May 16<sup>th</sup>. Sorry, no refunds.

**RESERVATION  
2009 SPRING FLING FUND RAISER  
MAY 20, NOON  
HENDERSONVILLE COUNTRY CLUB**

Please complete and mail with your check made payable to Welcome Club for \$27 per person to Shirley Banks, 170 Sweet Gum Trail, Hendersonville, NC 28739

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST(S) \_\_\_\_\_  
(guest cost also \$27 per person)

**ACTIVITY**

Please select three activities, in order of preference, using 1 for first choice, 2 for second, 3 for third. We will do our best to accommodate your first choice.

BOGGLE \_\_\_\_\_

FARKLE \_\_\_\_\_

BRIDGE \_\_\_\_\_

MAH JONGG \_\_\_\_\_

BUNKO \_\_\_\_\_

SCRABBLE \_\_\_\_\_

CANASTA \_\_\_\_\_

TRIVIAL PURSUIT \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR SUGGESTION \_\_\_\_\_

If you are coming with a pre-planned table of four, please list below the names of those with whom you are playing. One member of your group must bring the game for your table. Thank you.

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If you cannot attend, but would like to support our charity, please send check payable to Welcome Club to Shirley Banks, with a memo on the check "Free Clinics". All Donations Appreciated.

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**BOGGLE****Two Groups**

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**Third Thursday** **1:30 pm**

Peggy O'Connor, 890-0412

The May meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> will be at the home of Peggy O'Connor.

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**First Friday** **1:30 pm**Vicky Lieber, 890-3408 [evlieber@bellsouth.net](mailto:evlieber@bellsouth.net)The May 1<sup>st</sup> game will be at the home of Jane Litsky. Please contact Jane at 697-8781 or [janelitsky@aol.com](mailto:janelitsky@aol.com) if you will or will not be attending. BRING A FRIEND!**BOOK CLUBS****Many Groups**

**If you are not currently in a book club and would like to join a book club, please contact Ursula Von Paczkowski at 697-0322.**

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**Morning 1 (Tuesday) (12 May)** **10:00 am**

Barb Orolin, 692-8306

Hostess: Diane Soder, 698-5253

Book: Olive Kitteredge, Elizabeth Strout

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**WNC Readers (12 May)** **1:30 pm**

Shirley Banks, 698-5980

Hostess: Judy Peterson

Book: Peace Like a River, Leif Enger

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**Second Tuesday Book Bugs (12 May)** **10:00 am**

Sue Hatch, 890-0151

Hostess: Terri Gibson

Book: Life on the Color Line, Gregory Williams

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**Thursday Afternoon Book Club (21 May)** **1:00 pm**

Carolyn Wig, 890-0006

Hostess: Cathy Blair, 693-5357

Book: The Weight of Water, Anita Shreve

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**Ladies of the Evening Book Club (18 May)** **7:00pm**

Rose Marie Puncke, 693-7183

Hostess: Rose Ann Browning, 693-0309

Book: Three Cups of Tea, Greg Mortenson and David Relin

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**Page Turners Book Club (14 May)** **10:30 am**

Jan Scott, 890-3770

Hostess: Marion Moore, 697-1692

Book: Middlesex, Jeffery Eugenides

## BOOK CLUBS, Continued

The Flat Rock Readers and Feeders (7 May) 10:00 am

Terry Goodfield, 693-6024; [terrygood730@mchsi.com](mailto:terrygood730@mchsi.com)  
Nan Dellamea, 697-5911; [nanette720@hotmail.com](mailto:nanette720@hotmail.com)

John Adams, Parts 1 & 2,  
Travel Meeting

## BRIDGE GROUPS

Many Groups

**ATTENTION BRIDGE PLAYERS:** Anyone interested in participating in a new bridge group, please contact Pat Blunck at [robertblunck@att.net](mailto:robertblunck@att.net) or 692-1329. I will be forming new groups as soon as there are enough players. Each group will need a chairperson to facilitate the group. At present I have 2 members interested. This is for anyone who wants to play, whether or not you are already in a group. New members not currently in a group will be given first choice.

Evening Ladies Only 7:00 pm

Lynne Stafford, 696-1581

Daytime Ladies Many Groups

- 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays - meet in member's homes (1:00 pm)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday - meet in member's homes (1:00 pm)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday - meet at the Ugly Mug on Highway 25 in Hendersonville (1:00 pm)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Monday - meet at the Ugly Mug (1:00 pm)

BRUNCHES AND LUNCHESES HOUSE PARTIES Times will vary

Cheryl Keyes 698-8623 or [ckraven@mchsi.com](mailto:ckraven@mchsi.com)  
Rose Marie Puncke, 693-7183 or [rpuncke@mchsi.com](mailto:rpuncke@mchsi.com)

The Brunches & Lunches group gets together throughout the year. The scheduling of our house parties varies from month to month depending on the event being held. Our house parties incorporate themes, varied cuisines, party favors, door prizes, games, and various crafts and special activities.

We rotate from house to house of our members. Each designated hostess chooses a theme for her house party and she coordinates the get-together, with each guest contributing to the menu plan.

Our May even will be an Exotic Moroccan Luncheon, hosted by Kristin Dedich. Guests are encouraged to dress in their best Kasbah attire.

BUNKO

- NEW GROUP FORMING -

BUNKO

We only need a few more players for our NEW Bunko group! We are looking for players who want to play occasionally - this will not be a monthly event - we're thinking of every other month - or every six weeks. We are also looking for a location to play outside of our homes to make it easy on everyone. Please contact Jeneil Stevens either by e-mail ([jastevens@mchsi.com](mailto:jastevens@mchsi.com)) or by phone 694-0636 if this interests you. Please indicate a day and time that is best for you. Right now, Friday afternoon is the favorite.

**Tuesday Group** **1:00 pm**

Elaine Tully, 890-2932

The Hand and Foot group will meet on May 26<sup>th</sup> at the home of Kathie Giddings, 696-9808.

**Friday Group** **12:30 pm**

Diane Hamilton, 890-5522

The May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting will be at the home of Susan Allen. Please call Susan at 698-9321 to confirm attendance.

**COFFEE AND CONVERSATION** **10:00 am April 21, 2009**Cathy Blair, 693-5357 [flowersfish@mchsi.com](mailto:flowersfish@mchsi.com) Randy Unsell, 698-3470 [unsellr@aol.com](mailto:unsellr@aol.com)

With a hint of spring in the air, take this opportunity for a pleasant gathering of old friends and to make new friends. Please join us and enjoy delicious food and delightful conversation.

We meet on April 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am. Our gracious hostess is Jeannie Medlin. The ladies that will be joining Jeannie as Co-Hostesses are Mary Boteilho, Linda Cudd, and Lois Kaupa.

As usual, please call or email the Co-chair ladies, Cathy or Randy with your RSVP by the Sunday before (April 19<sup>th</sup>).

Hostess: Jeannie Medlin, 174 Timber Creek, Hendersonville, 28739. Directions to Jeannie's home: Take 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue from downtown, which becomes Laurel Park Highway. Turn right onto Hebron (at the water tower). Go to the end of Hebron Road, to the stop sign. At the end of Hebron, on the left, you'll see a sign for Timber Creek. Turn left into Timber Creek. Jeannie's house is the 3<sup>rd</sup> house on the left - #174.

**DAY TRIPPERS** **NEW GROUP FORMING** **Ursula Von Paczkowski, 697-0322**

Please join us at the Bullington Horticultural Learning Center on Wednesday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm for a tour and learning. Great for you gardeners! Send an e-mail to [swissmiss10@bellsouth.net](mailto:swissmiss10@bellsouth.net).

We will also be going to the Wilson Farm at Kanuga on Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. Admission is free. Come join us! Contact Ursula at [swissmiss10@bellsouth.net](mailto:swissmiss10@bellsouth.net)

I am a new member of the Welcome Club and would like to know if there is any interest in forming a fitness-oriented group. My background is in personal training and group exercise classes. I am not certain what the group would involve, or how it would be crafted, but I am very interested in hearing from members with ideas or specific interests. Please email me with suggestions or questions at [petra119@mchsi.com](mailto:petra119@mchsi.com) I am looking forward to hearing from you! Linda Casselberry

**FUN 'N GAMES****7:00 pm**

Lynne Stafford, 696-1581

This group meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month. Please bring a dish to pass and your own beverage. Hosts will provide games for the evening. Guests are welcome to bring games also. Hosts will take calls on a first come, first serve basis.

**LUNCHEON 8****Three Groups**

Terri Gibson, 891-9209

NOTE: If you are interested in being a sub for Luncheon 8, please contact Terri Gibson.

Group 1: Chair: Elaine Tully  
May 6: Elaine Tully

Group 2: Chair: Terri Gibson  
May 5: Bonnie Maddox

Group 3: Chair: Brenda Decker  
May 6: Suzanne Best

**MAH JONGG****Three Groups****Second Tuesday****1:00 pm**

Sally VonHoene, 693-9049

The May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at the home of Nan Hess, 697-3679. Please RSVP to Nan.

**Second Wednesday****1:00 pm**

Betsy Schwind, 697-0781

The May 13<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held at the home of Phyllis Perry, 692-2902.

**Friday Group****1:00 pm**

Shirley Catanese, 890-1565

The fourth Friday group will be meeting at the home of Kathy Giddings, 6969808.

## MEMBERSHIP

Barbara Faigin, 891-1075

Please add the following new members to your Membership Directory:

Susan Kaplan (Joe)  
168 Old Saluda Drive  
Saluda, NC 28773  
749-3767 (c) 290-7899  
DOB: 17 Aug  
[suekaplan@gmail.com](mailto:suekaplan@gmail.com)

Vera Wynne (Richard)  
102 Fleetwood Plaza  
Hendersonville, NC 28739  
692-8128  
DOB: 11 Jul  
[rvwynne@yahoo.com](mailto:rvwynne@yahoo.com)

Please make the following corrections/changes to your Membership Directory:

Terri Gibson's new phone number: (c) 828-699-5502

Pam Hult's new e-mail address: [PHRN52@gmail.com](mailto:PHRN52@gmail.com)

Wilma Pomerantz's correct e-mail address: [BrooklynBorn1117@yahoo.com](mailto:BrooklynBorn1117@yahoo.com)

## OPERA FANS

Joy Charlebois, 890-3160, [j-charlebois@mchsi.com](mailto:j-charlebois@mchsi.com)

Our final 2008/2009 season MET-HD LIVE opera is on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. La Cenerentola – by Rossini features Elīna Garanča, as the charmer in this Cinderella story. Lawrence Brownlee is her Prince Charming. Alessandro Corbelli and John Relyea will also be performing.

The opera is three hours long with one intermission. Since the program begins earlier than usual, 12:30pm, we will skip lunch out and take a sandwich/snack to eat during intermission. We may want an ice cream following the program depending on the weather.

NOTE THE TIME CHANGE: 10:50 meet at Fresh Market to car pool and leave promptly at 11.

Newcomers: Operas are LIVE performances via satellite from The New York Metropolitan Opera and begin at 1:00 pm ET. We meet at the Fresh Market (Hendersonville) at 10:20 am and car pool to Greenville, SC in time for lunch before the opera. Theatre tickets are \$22 for adults and \$20 for seniors; a \$2 service fee is added to each ticket if you purchase them on-line. Please contact Joy if you are interested in joining us.

## OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH

Carlyn Elliott, 891-6483/Linda Holt, 698-6670

The Out to Lunch Bunch will dine at Picasso's, a charming little café/patisserie/coffee bar with a European flavor, on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon. Picasso's is located at 240 N. Main Street in Hendersonville. Please RSVP to Carlyn or Linda by Wednesday May 20<sup>th</sup>.

As a reminder, we will be visiting the Southside Café in the Dingle Creek Shopping Center in Asheville on April 24<sup>th</sup>. RSVP to either Carlyn or Linda.

## **RUMMY Q**

**1:30 pm**

**Jan Scott, 890-3770**

**This fourth Thursday group will meet on May 28<sup>th</sup> at the home of Gerry Schoer, 890-4484.**

## **SCRABBLE SCRAMBLERS**

**1:30 pm**

**Cynthia McCurdy, 698-8792, [mcmccurdy@bellsouth.net](mailto:mcmccurdy@bellsouth.net)**

**The May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at the home of Cynthia McCurdy. Please call Cynthia, 698-8792, if you will or will not be attending.**

## **SUNSHINE**

**Our special prayers go out to long-time member (since 1997) Jan Hranek, who underwent a double mastectomy on April 1<sup>st</sup> to deal with breast cancer.**

**Our condolences go to Julie Miesbauer on the recent loss of her mother.**

## **TEA SOCIETY**

**1:00 pm**

**Donna McCall, 697-7461, [BSKTLDI1@aol.com](mailto:BSKTLDI1@aol.com)**

### *The Language of Flowers*



### *An Afternoon Tea Party*

*From ancient days flowers have been our messengers, invested with our most cherished feelings. To celebrate afternoon tea, please add a flower of your choice (real, silk, etc.) to your hat, outfit, or bring it along with you as we learn the histories of what each flower has meant through the ages. Anyone who loves giving and receiving flowers will find intrigue as we look at humanity's most prolific sources of symbolism.*

Date: Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 1 o'clock  
Hostess: Cyndi Buhr, 115 Carriage Walk Lane  
RSVP: [joeandcyndi@bellsouth.net](mailto:joeandcyndi@bellsouth.net) or 693-0779

*Directions: Take 191 from 25 north. Go about 2 miles until you come to Carriage Park. There will be a white fence and a pond on the left. Turn left into Carriage Park. Go the left side of the gate and tell the guard you are coming to Cyndi's house. Go through the gate and turn left up the hill. Continue going up, and up until you come to the third road on the left. This will be Carriage Walk Lane. (if you start to go downhill, you have gone too far). Continue turning Left into Carriage Walk 1. You will pass two houses on the left with a gazebo. Turn left after the gazebo and Cyndi is the first house on the right.*