



# New Mobilians

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December 2024 Newsletter

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## President's Message...

We had an amazing November luncheon with fifty-six members present, six guests and five of them became members. How wonderful is that, my Friends! Please give a warm welcome to **Ailene Miller, Irene Dressel, Darlene Maltese, Barbara Raines and Bridget Wilson.**

I am so sorry our Speaker Barbara Estes, Director of South Alabama Area Agency of the Aging, was unable to finish her talk with us due to illness. **Audrey Prentice** did talk with her later and she said she was feeling much better. I hope sometime in the future we will get a chance to hear from her.

Our Charity for December is Light of the Village. John Eads, founder of this organization will speak on their behalf. We will get a list of their needs as well as any cash donations. I am looking forward to hearing all about this very worthy charity at the luncheon.

Remember, if anyone needs a ride to the luncheons or any of the interest groups, please call **Judy Giese** (608-234-2812), **Pat McKinstry** (702-494-8699), or **Ruth Clark** (281-793-9286) so we can find someone in your area to pick you up.

As the Christmas Holiday approaches, I feel so blessed to be a part of this amazing group of women who give their time, talents, and energy to make this club so successful. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Pat McKinstry, 702-494-8699 or email [patned\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:patned_2@hotmail.com)

From My House to Yours, have a blessed and safe Holiday Season.

## BOARD NOTES

The November 20<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting will be at **Debra Bryant's** home (7747 Country Squire Dr.) and Co-hostess **Dyann Munoz**. Social time will be at 9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. the meeting begins.

The December Christmas Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 11:00 a.m. at **Bamboo Steakhouse** (850 Cody Road). If you are unable to attend, please let **Pat McKinstry** know. Hope to see you all there.

## LUNCHEON NEWS

Make your lunch reservations by email to [newmoblunch@gmail.com](mailto:newmoblunch@gmail.com). For those few without email, you may contact us by phone/text: **Sue Smith** – 732-804-6108, or **Robin Street** – 251-402-0263. If you text or leave a message, be sure to leave your name. You will receive a reply; if you do not, please resend your reservation. When you make your reservation, be sure to alert **Sue** or **Robin** if you have food allergies or need a special menu.

## RESERVATION DEADLINE

**By 2:00 p.m. FRIDAY  
November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Date of Luncheon:** December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Social Time:** 11:00 a.m.

**Meeting:** 11:30 a.m.

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1004 Dauphin Island Parkway

## PROGRAM

John Eads – Light of the Village Charity

## MENU

Pork Chops with Apples

Wild Rice Pilaf

Veggie

Salad and rolls

Carrot Cake

Coffee and Tea

Cash bar available for wine - \$6.00

**REMEMBER:** Reservations are required - which include lunch. If you make a reservation and do **not** attend the luncheon, you should send your **\$25.00** payment to **Teresa Dean** (1164 Heron Lakes Circle, Mobile, AL 36693). **No exceptions.**

### **HISTORIAN**

*Marie Herman 251-382-8334 [herman2578@comcast.net](mailto:herman2578@comcast.net)*

It would be so helpful if the Interest Group Chairs will take pictures of your group doing their thing at your next scheduled meeting. Send them to **Marie** at 251-382-8334 and to **Stephanie** at 251-458-1615. Thank you.

### **HOSPITALITY**

*Debra Bryant 251-599-9303 [cavliz@mchsi.com](mailto:cavliz@mchsi.com)*

*Dyann Munoz 251-402-5095 [designbydyann1@gmail.com](mailto:designbydyann1@gmail.com)*

We welcomed six guests and one visitor at the November luncheon. Gigi Bowlin was a guest of **Doty Graham**. Ailene Miller and Darlene Maltese were guests of **Teresa Dean**. Barb Raines was a guest of **Sue Smith**. Bridget Wilson was a guest of **Pat McKinstry**. Irene Dressil was a guest of **Brenda Jackson** and Diana Allen was a visitor. **Irene, Ailene, Darlene, Barb, and Bridget** have decided to become members. Welcome ladies!

### **MEMBERSHIP**

*Doty Graham 251-767-9876 [dotygraham@gmail.com](mailto:dotygraham@gmail.com)*

This month's luncheon yielded FIVE new members. Their information is below. As always, please remember if any of your personal information changes to let **Doty Graham** know.

#### **Bridget Wilson**

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#### **Ailene Miller**

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#### **Barb Raines**

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### **PUBLICITY**

*Nora Gardner 251-421-2284 [gardner144@gmail.com](mailto:gardner144@gmail.com)*

*Jeana Parks 251-421-7855 [JPskyblue@aol.com](mailto:JPskyblue@aol.com)*

We need your help getting the word out about our Club. Save the email we sent with "Subject: Visit and Join New Mobilians" and when you meet someone that might be interested, get their email address, and forward it. You can add or delete to make the message personal. We all need "Big Sisters". Ask us for business cards and flyers for bulletin boards. Thank you!

### **SUNSHINE**

*Evelyn Fusaiotti 251-533-9455*

*Jean Norton 251-375-4616 [baysidevillajeane@aol.com](mailto:baysidevillajeane@aol.com)*

As we approach the Holiday Season, stress and busy schedules take over our lives. I would like to offer a better plan. We have many reasons to be thankful and I suggest we stop and remember the "reason for the season". Slow down, be obedient, be thankful, be forgiving, seek peace, and teach me to let go of my worries and to trust that God is in control.

Some of our members and/or their families have needed our thoughts and prayers this month. **Jim McKellar** had a heart cath in November. He had two 90% blockages and had stents put in. **Shirley's daughter** also had a heart procedure done and is doing well. Her son, **Troy** is awaiting major surgery to remove a cancerous tumor. **Janice Winters** had major surgery and is recuperating at home. She also expressed a heartfelt "thank you" for the cards and prayers from so many of you. **Nancy Gorham** had a heart procedure done in November. **Rita Curtis** has had many problems stemming from her kidney surgery earlier this year. Prayers for a complete healing! Remember to keep **Ruth Clark** in your prayers as she awaits some major decisions after Christmas concerning her medical issues. And, of course, there are many silent requests for prayer from our members.

"We lift our community to You during this time of need. Inspire us to work together for the good, guided by love and understanding."

### **WAYS & MEANS**

*Kay Munger 251-401-1245 [kaymunger@bellsouth.net](mailto:kaymunger@bellsouth.net)*

*Debbie Dougherty 281-740-3545 [debbied904@yahoo.com](mailto:debbied904@yahoo.com)*

Thank you so very much to all who purchased tickets for our 50/50 drawing. The lucky winner in November was **Diane Schmidt**. The free lunch was won by our new member **Linda Alonzo**. Congrats!!

## NEW MOBILIANS' GALA

Phyllis Hartselle 251-610-6830

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Susie Dakin 251-490-7911 [shelties129@bellsouth.net](mailto:shelties129@bellsouth.net)

Jaye Thornton 850-485-3180 [tjanet4@bellsouth.net](mailto:tjanet4@bellsouth.net)

The ultimate tour guides have picked out the menu for the "Around the World" Queen's Gala. The Gala is open for any female to attend - even if they are not a member of New Mobilians. We believe one exciting change is that the Gala will start at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Of course, everyone seems to be most enthusiastic about changing the dress code to "Cocktail Attire".

The reservation form to the Queen's Gala is included with the newsletter. Table sizes are for 8 or 10 attendees. Ideally, you should list and send in the money for all people seated at your table at the same time. This ensures **Queen Shirley** will satisfy your wishes of who you want at your table. The deadline date for your reservation is Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.

## DIRECTORY

Diane Cashen 251-545-5688 [dccashen@gmail.com](mailto:dccashen@gmail.com)

New directories are available for all members at the luncheons. Please contact **Doty Graham** or **Diane Cashen** if you have not received your copy. Extra books are available for \$5.00 each.

# Interest Groups

Judy Giese 608-234-2812 [jnhgiese@hotmail.com](mailto:jnhgiese@hotmail.com)

## BOOK CLUB, EVENING –4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.

Marie Entessar, 251-660-0197, [Mentessar@bellsouth.net](mailto:Mentessar@bellsouth.net)

Our group will not be meeting in December, but we will resume meeting in January, 2025. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

## BRIDGE, INTERMEDIATE— 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday-10 a.m.

Janet Beaverstock 251-348-3409 [jbstockquilter@aol.com](mailto:jbstockquilter@aol.com)

Betty Day 850-323-1222 [bkday44@gmail.com](mailto:bkday44@gmail.com)

We will play on the first Thursday of the month – December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the **Cottages at Schillinger's Pointe** (945 Schillinger Rd) Bridge Players, please call **Janet** or **Betty** to make reservations.

## BUNCO, DAYTIME #1 -2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday – 1:00 p.m.

Phyllis Hartselle 251-610-6830

[phyllis.hartselle@gmail.com](mailto:phyllis.hartselle@gmail.com)

The fabulous Dicey Ladies will roll and celebrate the Christmas season on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at the home of **Phyllis Hartselle** (5900 Live Oak Court, 251-610-6830). Dress in your favorite Christmas sweater for our holiday photo. Please let **Phyllis** know if you can attend or need a sub. See you there.

## BUNCO, DAYTIME #3—3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday-1:00 p.m.

Debra Bryant 251-599-9303 [cavliz@mchsi.com](mailto:cavliz@mchsi.com)

The combined Christmas Pot Luck Lunch and Dirty Santa for Pokeno #2 and Bunco #3 will be Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the home of **Jean Norton** (7336 Adamoor Ct.) at 11:00 a.m.

Please bring a dish to share. The Dirty Santa gift should be Christmas themed in a "Christmas Gift Bag." Price should be in the \$20-\$25 price range. All subs are invited. Please RSVP to **Jean Norton** by December 6<sup>th</sup>.

## COCKTAILS AT 5 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Debbie Dougherty 281-740-3545 [debbied904@yahoo.com](mailto:debbied904@yahoo.com)

Debra Bryant 251-599-9303 [cavliz@mchsi.com](mailto:cavliz@mchsi.com)

There will be no December Cocktails. We want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. See you all at our next gathering in January.

## COFFEE KLATCH- 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday 10:00 a.m.

StephanieHudson251-458-1615 [shudson1949@gmail.com](mailto:shudson1949@gmail.com)

Marie Herman 251-382-8334 [herman2578@comcast.net](mailto:herman2578@comcast.net)

Coffee Klatch will be meeting at **Yellowhammer Coffee**, (7849 Cottage Hill Rd. on the Whataburger corner). It was a bank before and it is a brown building with yellow lettering. The date is December 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Please come as **Stephanie** has reserved a small room for us to use. Wear something festive!!

## CREATIVE ARTS – TBA - varies

Marie Herman 251-382-8334 [herman2578@comcast.net](mailto:herman2578@comcast.net)

Stephanie Hudson 251-458-1615

[shudson1949@gmail.com](mailto:shudson1949@gmail.com)

Dyann Munoz251-402-5095 [designbydyann1@gmail.com](mailto:designbydyann1@gmail.com)

Debbie Murphy 251-510-4797 [ctrptr310@gmail.com](mailto:ctrptr310@gmail.com)

We will be making a beautiful Christmas candle with floral base for our December project. Some flowers and greenery are all you need to bring, everything else will be provided. The cost is \$6.00. We will meet at **West Mobile Regional Library** on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 p.m. An example of the candle will be displayed at the December 4<sup>th</sup> luncheon, which is the deadline. Hope to see you then!

## DAY TRIPS AND TOURS – Varies TBA

Deb St.Pierre 207-601-7906 [debdeb2511@gmail.com](mailto:debdeb2511@gmail.com)

There is nothing planned for December. Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**HAND AND FOOT CARDS – 4<sup>th</sup>Thursday 9:00 a.m.**

*Susan Smith 732-804-6108 [robinsue71@hotmail.com](mailto:robinsue71@hotmail.com)*

We will be playing Hand and Foot on Thursday, December 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. We play at **Via Health** (1717 Dauphin Street). Hope to see you there!

**JUST US GIRLS– Varies TBA**

Karaoke Nite! We will be meeting at **Teresa Dean's** home (1164 Heron Lakes Circle) on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. for a fun night of music and light hors d'oeuvres. BYOB and please RSVP to 251-422-5300 by November 21<sup>st</sup>.

Also:

Mobile Pops Christmas Concert – December 16<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 p.m.

Davidson HS Auditorium  
3900 Pleasant Valley Rd.

**MEXICAN TRAIN -2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday-5:30 p.m.**

*Debbie Dougherty 281-740-3545 [debbied904@yahoo.com](mailto:debbied904@yahoo.com)*

Our December Train will be at the home of **Phyllis Hartselle** (5900 Live Oak Ct.) on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. Hope to see you there.

**PINOCHLE – 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday- 11:00 a.m-2:00p.m.**

*Ruth Clark c: 281-793-9286 [inga7679@yahoo.com](mailto:inga7679@yahoo.com)*

Our Pinochle date lands squarely on Christmas Day. Please enjoy the holidays and we will meet again in the New Year! Merry Christmas!

**POKENO DAYTIME #1 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday-10:00 a.m.**

*Janet Beaverstock 251-348-3409 [jbstockquilter@aol.com](mailto:jbstockquilter@aol.com)*

**Pokeno Playgirls:** We will be playing on Thursday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at the home of **Bonnie Marut-Halvorsen**, (10014 Summerwoods Ct.) For our Christmas special, we each will contribute \$10 and there will be more prizes awarded. We begin at 10:00 a.m. Please let **Janet** know if you cannot attend and who your sub will be.

**POKENO DAYTIME #2 –2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday- 9:30 a.m.**

*Pauline St. Pierre 251-660-1595 [paula36695@yahoo.com](mailto:paula36695@yahoo.com)*

**Bunco#3 & Pokeno#2**

The combined Christmas Pot Luck Lunch and Dirty

Santa for Pokeno #2 and Bunco #3 will be Tuesday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the home of **Jean Norton** (7336 Adamoor Ct.) at 11:00 a.m. Please bring a dish to share.

The Dirty Santa gift should be Christmas themed in a "Christmas Gift Bag." Price should be in the \$20-\$25 price range. All subs are invited. Please RSVP to **Jean Norton** by December 6<sup>th</sup>.

**POKENO, DAYTIME #3 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 1:00 p.m.**

*Janet Beaverstock 251-348-3409 [jbstockquilter@aol.com](mailto:jbstockquilter@aol.com)*

**Pokeno DeLites:** We will be playing on Thursday, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>. **Deb St.Pierre** is our hostess and we will play at the home of **Janet Beaverstock**, (11758 Gates Circle East). For our Christmas special, we each will contribute \$10 and there will be more prizes awarded. We begin at 1:00 p.m. Please let **Janet** know if you cannot attend and who your sub will be. Looking forward to seeing you.

**POKENO NIGHT #2 — 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday - 6:00 p.m.**

*Jean Norton 251-375-4616 [baysidevillajean@aol.com](mailto:baysidevillajean@aol.com)*

Our Monday night Pokeno Group will meet December 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of **Jean Norton** (7336 Adamoor Ct.). Looking forward to seeing you! If you are unable to come, please let **Jean** know if you must cancel and who your substitute will be.

**SCRABBLE – 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday – 9:00 a.m.**

*Audrey Prentice 251-295-7049*

*[audreyannprentice@gmail.com](mailto:audreyannprentice@gmail.com)*

Our Christmas sock exchange/ scrabble games will take place on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at **Via Health** (1717 Dauphin Street). See you there!

**T.G.I.F.— 4<sup>th</sup> Friday 7:00 p.m.**

*Bea James 251-633-4239 [bjames6987@gmail.com](mailto:bjames6987@gmail.com)*

There will be no December T.G.I.F. I pray that everyone will have a Merry Christmas. Hope to see you in January.

DECEMBER LUNCHEON  
RESERVATION DEADLINE  
[newmoblunch@gmail.com](mailto:newmoblunch@gmail.com)

By 2:00 p.m. FRIDAY  
November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Price - \$25

Check out our website:  
[newmobiliansclub.com](http://newmobiliansclub.com)

The newsletter is  
available online;  
The password is  
**sunshine**  
all lower case.

Deadline for  
**January Newsletter**  
**Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**  
Submit your article(s) to  
**[newmobnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:newmobnewsletter@gmail.com)**

Membership dues for 2024-2025 can be sent to:

Doty Graham  
7425 Meadow Wood Dr.  
Mobile, AL 36619

Prices have increased from  
\$25 to \$35

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**THURSDAY,**  
**FEBRUARY 13, 2025**  
**QUEEN'S GALA**  
**12:30 P.M.**

**PLEASE DO NOT RESPOND  
TO COMMUNICATIONS  
EMAILS**

**[nmclubinfo@gmail.com](mailto:nmclubinfo@gmail.com)**

Please use this email address to send announcements to Communications. If you are not receiving the emails, please call one of us to check on the problem. We would like to help you.

**Brenda Jackson 251-454-7295**

**Mavis Jarrell 251-214-3294**

New 24-25 Directories are available at the luncheons and by contacting Diane Cashen or Doty Graham

Need a ride to the luncheons or other activities with the club?

Contact:

Pat McKinstry 702-494-8699

Judy Giese 608-234-2812

Ruth Clark 281-793-9286

**Please Keep Collecting:**  
Pop tabs for **Ollie Lewellen** and Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC)  
Pictures for Historian, **Marie** and **Stephanie**