



Neighbors of Suntree, Inc.

Fall Newsletter

September 2017

Welcome from the President

Greetings and a warm welcome back everyone! The 2017-2018 Neighbors of Suntree (NOS) season is going to be an exciting one! The NOS Board has been busy, much of the summer, planning. We hope you will be able to attend the Welcome Coffee to hear what's in store. This is a very "newsy" newsletter, so have a seat in your comfy chair and enjoy!

Respectfully,
Carla



ANNUAL WELCOME COFFEE

Date: Thursday, September 28, 2017

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Location: Suntree Country Club Main Dining Room

We look forward to seeing many friends and meeting new people at the Welcome Coffee. As usual, a continental breakfast will be served. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED** and **must** be received by September 17, 2017. Nancy Fullerton will be accepting reservations at 321-757-8376 or via email at reservations@neighborsofsuntree.org.

- Share the Wealth (50/50) Drawing
- Sign-up for Clubs & Activities
- Purchase Raffle Tickets
- Order NOS Name Badge

Director of Membership, Judy Oyer, will be accepting membership applications and dues (\$20.00). All members **must** complete a new application. You may bring your completed application (see last page) and dues or mail as directed on the application form. To assure your contact information is in the NOS Directory, please send in by Wednesday, October 18, 2017. Please note, we cannot accept Welcome Coffee reservations via membership applications.

** * IMPORTANT INFORMATION * * *

The NOS Welcome Coffee is free to members and guests, but **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!** Every year the NOS faces two issues unique to the Welcome Coffee. Some members arrive without having made a reservation. Others make reservations, but do not show up and do not call to cancel. The Suntree Country Club (SCC) requires NOS to give them an expected guest count 7-10 day before the event. While NOS does not charge for the Welcome Coffee, **NOS pays for each reservation** it reports to the SCC. The money comes out of NOS operating funds. Last minute reservations are another problem we face each year. We cannot accept reservations after September 17, 2017. After the deadline, we can only add your name to a waiting list. **If you make a reservation and find you are unable to attend, please call Nancy Fullerton as soon as possible whether the deadline has been reached or not.** Before the deadline, we can reduce the guest count we give to the SCC. After the deadline, we can try to fill that space from the waiting list. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Special Events

NOS has several wonderful events planned this season. We kick off the season with the Welcome Coffee. Our Holiday Luncheon will feature our popular Basket Raffle. **Accessories and More** was so well received last season, we invited them back again for the Luncheon in February. Not only will you enjoy a wonderful Fashion Show and Luncheon, you will have an opportunity to “shop ‘til you drop”. For our spring event, we are opting for a luncheon, a breakfast, or brunch. The theme is “**Breakfast at Tiffany’s**”. It will start at 11:30 and you will have your choice of a breakfast or lunch entrée. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters.

Welcome Coffee	Thursday, September 28, 2017
Holiday Luncheon	Thursday, December 7, 2017
Fashion Show Luncheon “ <i>Shop ‘til you Drop</i> ”	Thursday, February 1, 2018
Spring Event “ <i>Breakfast at Tiffany’s</i> ”	Thursday, April 12, 2018
Website:	www.neighborsofsuntree.org
E-mail:	info@neighborsofsuntree.org

Baskets Needed for the Holiday Luncheon Raffle

Holiday Raffle Baskets are always a favorite at the Holiday Luncheon. Please consider donating a basket to be raffled. Call Merilee Riopelle at 321-255-7270. Deadline is November 30th .



May You Bring a Guest to Any Event?

NOS members are always welcome to bring a guest(s) to the Welcome Coffee, the Holiday Luncheon, the Fashion Show Luncheon and the Spring Event. If you know someone locally who might be interested in joining NOS, they may attend **one** regular NOS activity as your guest. It is understandable that they might want to check us out before they join. However, they must join NOS to participate in any further club activities, such as Bunco, Ladies Lunch, Coffee and Conversation, etc. Of course, out-of-town guests are always welcome!

May We Take Your Picture?

We love taking pictures at NOS events. It is a wonderful way to remember our members and what NOS has accomplished over the years. Most pictures are posted in an album, slide show for the season, or on our Facebook page. Occasionally, photos accompany a story in a local newspaper. Please let our photographer know if you do not want to be photographed.

Volunteers Needed!



- Visit Retail Establishments to request donations for goods or gift cards that can be used for door prizes or raffles. Remember all proceeds go to charity.
- Sign up to assist with events.
- Show your support by helping in any way.



Big Charity Raffle News

Each year, our charity theme seems to get better and better. This year will be no exception. We have another raffle for you, but not a cruise. For our moneymaker, this season, NOS will raffle off a VISA gift card in the amount of not \$250.00, not \$500.00, but **\$1000.00!** Wouldn't you like to be the lucky winner! Raffle tickets will be on sale at all events and at most activities, beginning with the Welcome Coffee. The cost per raffle ticket is \$10 each or 3 tickets for \$20. All proceeds go to the charities selected by the NOS Board of Directors.

NOS Charities

Last year, NOS had another banner year. We met many new folks and our membership grew. Also, our charity moneymaker was again successful, and we donated over \$12,000.00 to several charities. Even after that, we still had monies in the "kitty", so the 2017-2018 Board voted to present \$2000.00, each, to two charity organizations at the Welcome Coffee:

- Wreaths for Cape Canaveral National Cemetery
- Viera High School Band and Orchestra

Thanks NOS members for your generosity last season!

The Board selected four charities to receive donations at the April 12, 2018, "Breakfast at Tiffany's" event:

Space Coast Honor Flight – This organization makes it possible for World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam Veterans to visit their War Memorials in Washington D.C. This is a unique opportunity to show our gratitude to these heroes who made it possible for us to enjoy the freedoms we have today.

Hope for Brevard –Helping Overpopulation of Pets End (HOPE), educates the public about the problem and how to put an end to unwanted animals in Brevard County. HOPE assists low income residents, of Brevard County, with low cost/no cost spay/neuter, TNR (trap-neuter-return feral cats) and emergency vet care. It fosters animals to help abandoned, homeless, and stray animals to find permanent and loving homes. HOPE also educates all people on proper pet care.

Candlelighters of Brevard – This non-profit organization is dedicated to children with cancer and their families by offering emotional support and financial assistance. Candlelighters of Brevard is committed to ensuring no one has to face the diagnosis of childhood cancer alone.

Genesis House–This non-profit organization provides emergency shelter for homeless women and their children, long-term housing for student mothers with children, and shelter for homeless pregnant women. It is committed to providing a safe, supportive, caring environment. Education, self-discipline, self-reliance, and independence from public assistance are earnestly promoted. Counseling, personal improvement classes, and appropriate health care are obtained for all residents. Genesis House primarily serves the Melbourne area.



Board of Directors for 2017-2018:

President-Carla Parsons
Secretary-Merilee Riopelle
Membership – Judy Oyer
Coffee & Conversation-Patti Coggins

Vice President-Tracy Rooney
Treasurer-Billie McElroy
Special Events-Diane Bale
Ladies Lunch-Claire Reed

Coffee & Conversation

Patti Coggins has arranged for some interesting and fun topics for Coffee & Conversation. It meets at different locations and takes place on the 3rd Monday of each month at 10:00 a.m. **Reservations are required!**

October 16 th	Vegetable Planting in Florida
November 20 th	Painting with a Twist
December 18 th	Holiday Party/Cookie Swap
January 15 th	Clinical Dietitian
February 19 th	Interior Decorator
March 19 th	Textile Art
April 16 th	History of Bula Coffee/Tea

If you attend the coffee, be sure to pick up a flyer with detailed information. Coffee & Conversation notices will go out monthly via e-mail.

Ladies Lunch

Claire Reed has selected wonderful locations for Ladies Lunch this season. Ladies Lunch is scheduled for noon on the 4th Thursday of each month (except November which will be the 3rd Thursday). No luncheon in December. **Reservations are a must!** The dates and locations are as follows:

October 26 th	Telly's Chinese Restaurant
November 16 th	Meg O'Malley's Irish Pub and Restaurant
January 25 th	Vue 18 (Rockledge Country Club)
February 22 nd	The Dove III
March 22 nd	Heidelberg Restaurant
April 26 th	Café Margaux
May 24 th	Fujiyama Seafood and Steak

If you are attending the Welcome Coffee, Claire will provide a flyer containing Ladies Luncheon details. Notices will also be sent monthly via e-mail.

BUNCO

Monthly Bunco luncheons will be held at the Suntime Country Club at noon. The fee is \$23.50 for lunch/ Bunco. Dates are as follows:

September 8	October 13	November 10	January 12
February 9	March 9	May 11	

Please note there will be no Bunco in December or April. Contact Merilee Riopelle at 255-7272. Merilee must receive your reservation and check at least one week prior to Bunco date. A BUNCO e-mail reminder will be sent monthly. Merilee will have detailed flyers at the Welcome Coffee.



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Membership Application

Annual Dues per household: \$20.00

Please provide us with the information requested below. You may bring this completed application along with your **check** in the amount of **\$20** made payable to **Neighbors of Suntree** to the Welcome Coffee or submit it by mail.

Mail it to: Judy Oyer
1383 Cypress Trace Dr.
Melbourne, FL 32940

Last Name: _____ First Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Subdivision: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please check the appropriate box below:

New member

Returning Member

Comments or Suggestions:
