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# OXFORD NEWCOMERS *and Friends*



It's time to think holidays!! ONC&F will once again host our **Thanksgiving Pot Luck** on Wednesday, November 17th, the day before all registrations are due for the **Holiday Celebration**, set for December 2nd - details are below. Lots of fun this month, from **Ladies Who Lunch** to **Reading Faulkner** and **Needlers**, plus bridge and books and breakfasts - oh, my! By popular

demand, **5 O'Clock** will meet on Wednesday, November 3rd, at the Sipp on South Lamar; don't miss **Women's Coffee** on Friday, November 5th, and **OxWine** on Sunday, November 7th. ONC&F is fortunate to have many members active in the community, especially our Master Gardeners - check out this month's tips!

## ONC&F NOVEMBER 2021 CALENDAR

**PLEASE NOTE: ONC&F members and first-time visitors who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (at least two weeks past your final shot) are welcome to attend in-person ONC&F events and gatherings.**

Monday, Nov 1, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Wednesday, Nov 3, **5 O'Clock On the Square**, The Sipp

Thursday, Nov 4, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Friday, Nov 5, 9:00 am, **Women's Coffee**, Panera  
Sunday, Nov 7, 4:00 pm, **OxWine**, 425 Northpointe Lake Dr.  
Monday, Nov 8, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Tuesday, Nov 9, 11:30 am, **Ladies Who Lunch**, City Grocery  
Tuesday, Nov 9, 1:00 pm, **Mary Poole Bridge Club**, OU-Methodist  
Wednesday, Nov 10, 10:00 am **Educational Program** (Zoom)  
Thursday, Nov 11, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Monday, Nov 15, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Monday, Nov 15, 4:00 pm, **Reading Faulkner**, Zoom  
Tuesday, Nov 16, 2:00 pm, **Better Read than Dead**, Howell Activity Center  
**Wednesday, Nov 17, Thanksgiving Pot Luck, 6:00 pm, Stone Center**  
Thursday, Nov 18, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Thursday, Nov 18, 2:00 pm, **Book Club One**, Zoom  
**Thursday, Nov 18, Payment Deadline for Holiday Celebration!**  
Thursday, Nov 18, 1:00 pm, **Needlers**, Howell Activity Center  
Friday, Nov 19, 9:00 am, **Women's Coffee**, Panera  
Monday, Nov 22, 7:00 am, **Men's Breakfast**, The Beacon  
Tuesday, Nov 23, 1:00 pm, **Mary Poole Bridge Club**, OU-Methodist  
**Thursday, Nov 25, THANKSGIVING**  
Tuesday, Nov 30, 11:30 am, **Lunch Bunch**, Newk's on Jackson Ave.  
Thursday, Dec 2, 6:00 pm, **Holiday Celebration**, Country Club of Oxford

*Questions? See below for program details and contact information.*

**ONC&F NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED!!** It's time for a changing of the guard. Michelle Harvey will craft her last newsletter in January as she adds her new role as a faculty member (to PhD student) at the University of Mississippi. If you love knowing what's happening before anyone else, and enjoy word play, this is the opportunity you've been waiting for! Michelle will teach you everything you need to know (which won't take long!) and you'll be ready to let your creative literary juices flow for ONC&F! Contact Michelle Harvey at [mmharvey@olemiss.edu](mailto:mmharvey@olemiss.edu) or President Jonell McGivern at [jonell52@att.net](mailto:jonell52@att.net)

**Happy HOLIDAYS!!** It's *that* time of year, and this year we're delighted to be able to again gather together! Please plan to join ONC&F for our **Thanksgiving Pot Luck** on Wednesday, November 17th, at 6:00 pm at the Stone Center, 423 Washington Ave. BYO beverage of choice and a dish to share. NOTE: the ONC&F Board will provide turkey and ham!

And please make plans now to join ONC&F for the annual **Holiday Celebration** on Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00 pm at the Country Club of Oxford, 300 Fazio Dr. Expect another fabulous staffed buffet dinner, full cash bar, and door prizes! Cost: \$25 per person. ONC&F has a **board**

bar - and door prizes! Cost: \$35 per person. ONC&F has a ***nara pre-registration deadline of November 18th!*** No exceptions - we must confirm numbers with the Country Club two weeks in advance. Send checks, payable to *Chamber of Commerce with Holiday Party* in the memo line, to Richard Muller, 214 Olde Castle Loop, Oxford, MS 38655. We so hope to see you there!! Questions? Ask Social Director extraordinaire Bonnie Siebert, [bonnie1017@aol.com](mailto:bonnie1017@aol.com)

**DUES ARE COMING DUE:** People have begun asking about what to do about dues, so here's the news: The ONC&F membership year runs January to December, and 2022 dues of \$20 per person will be due by January 1st. The application form will follow later in November. We're counting on 2022 to be the year when gathering with friends is something we're all able to do on a regular basis. If you have questions in the meantime, please reach out to Membership Chair Nellanne Davis: (662) 380-5672 or [nellanned@aol.com](mailto:nellanned@aol.com)

**5 O'CLOCK ON THE SQUARE** will gather Wednesday, November 3rd at The Sipp, 400 S Lamar Blvd a2. Small plates to taste or large plates to share, the seasonal culinary and wine menus are constantly changing. Over 50 wines and 100 whiskeys offered as a taste or glass. Join us for adult beverages, fun food, and great conversation!! Questions? Ask social director Bonnie Siebert, [bonnie1017@aol.com](mailto:bonnie1017@aol.com)

**BETTER READ THAN DEAD** will meet at the Coach Howell Activity Center 396 Price St., on TUESDAY, November 16 at 2:00 pm, (NOTE DATE CHANGE) The book for discussion will be *The Sun Down Motel* by Simone St. James. Every small town like Fell, New York has a place like the Sun Down Motel. Some customers are from out of town, passing through on their way to someplace better. Some are locals, trying to hide their secrets. Viv Delaney works as the night clerk to pay for her move to New York City. But something isn't right at the Sun Down, and before long she's determined to uncover all of the secrets hidden... All are welcome! If you would like to join in, just email chair Nancy Muller at [maytarie@att.net](mailto:maytarie@att.net). Or just show up!

**BOOK CLUB ONE:** November's book selection is *A Place Like Mississippi* by W. Ralph Eubanks. In this series of reflections on the literary heritage of each section of the state, Eubanks pay tribute to the inspirations that can come from the lay of the land, proving that a journey through one state's literary terrain can help us better understand America as a whole. Book Club One will meet on Zoom on Thursday, November 18th (our customary third Thursday of the month) at 2:00 pm. Click [HERE](#) to join us, or go to <https://Zoom.us> and enter Meeting ID: 680 808 8404. All Newcomers and friends are welcome! Chair: Debra Guyton, [debraguyton@bellsouth.net](mailto:debraguyton@bellsouth.net) or (251) 490-6690.

**EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM:** Plans are afoot for another great ONC&F Educational Program on Wednesday, November 10th, but we just have so many choices, we're having a hard time deciding what's next! So mark your calendar and watch for the details!! Questions? Contact chair Don Mason, [dmason222@gmail.com](mailto:dmason222@gmail.com)

**LADIES WHO LUNCH** is a new group for ONC&F women! We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 11:30 am to explore the variety of wonderful restaurants Oxford has to offer. Join us on November 9th at 11:30 am at City Grocery, 152 Courthouse Square. An RSVP text is appreciated but not mandatory; please send to Nena Mutersbaugh, (918) 906-8811

**LUNCH BUNCH** will meet on Tuesday, November 30th at 11:30 at Newk's Eatery, 2305 Jackson Ave W, in the Belk shopping center. Lunch Bunch is for singles and couples -- a fun time to visit with other ONC&F members over your midday meal. All are always welcome! Questions? Contact Buck Ladner, [ladner2003@yahoo.com](mailto:ladner2003@yahoo.com) or (662) 801-1371

**MARY POOLE BRIDGE CLUB** offers the opportunity to gather and play bridge with other ONC&F card lovers every 2nd and 4th Tuesday (November 9th and 23rd) at 1:00 pm. Find us in Room 214 at Oxford University United Methodist Church, 424 S 10th St. This is a casual group that welcomes players of all skill levels -- we will help you learn if you are a beginner! If you're new to the group, please contact Carol Rawlings in advance at (731) 610-0251 or [marypoolebridgeclub@gmail.com](mailto:marypoolebridgeclub@gmail.com), so she can make sure all have partners.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Men gather for breakfast every Monday and Thursday at 7:00 am at The Beacon, 1200 N. Lamar Blvd. Come when you can. All are welcome. Join us for fun and great fellowship. Questions? Contact Buck Ladner, [ladner2003@yahoo.com](mailto:ladner2003@yahoo.com) or (662) 801-1371

**NEEDLERS** will meet at the Coach Howell Activity Center, 396 Price Street, on Thursday, November 18th at 1:00 pm. Bring your knitting needles or your stitching needles and come have fun with a group of passionate ladies. We are always open to new members. Contact Nancy Muller for more information. [maytarie@att.net](mailto:maytarie@att.net)



**OXWINE** is set for Sunday, November 7th from 4:00 - 6:00 pm at the home of Cindy Johnson, 425 Northpointe Lake Dr, (601) 540-3627. Singles, duos, trios and more welcome - NO RSVP needed. *Our November theme: Thanksgiving wines! What do you think tastes*



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great with turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, and pumpkin or pecan pie? Bring a bottle of it! Not sure? Consider a softer less typical white such as riesling, gewurztraminer, or viognier, a rose or sparkling wine, or lighter reds, including pinot noir. (If you missed October's pinot noir tasting, the picture shows the wines we enjoyed, in order of tasting.) NOTE: November's will not be a blind tasting - just a "tastes good" sharing session. Questions? Contact Michelle Harvey at (479) 685-1581 or [mmharvey@olemiss.edu](mailto:mmharvey@olemiss.edu)

**READING FAULKNER** gathers via Zoom on Monday, November 15th at 4:00 pm to conclude our discussion of the Snopes Trilogy. We will be discussing the last volume, *The Mansion*, and looking back over the entire trilogy. Click [HERE](#) to join us, or go to <https://Zoom.us> and enter Meeting ID: 680 808 8404. To join the group or for more information, please contact Dianne Ferguson at (662) 236-4670 or [sdsferg@bellsouth.net](mailto:sdsferg@bellsouth.net)

**WOMEN'S COFFEE:** Please join us for friendship and lots of conversation on first and third Fridays (November 5th and 19th) at 9:00 am at Panera Bread, 1902 Jackson Avenue. Hope you will join us...we miss you when you are absent! Chair: Nellanne Davis, (318) 447-0038 or [nellanned@aol.com](mailto:nellanned@aol.com)

**NOVEMBER GARDENING TIPS**

.....Happy Fall, y'all! While checking the 10-day forecast, I didn't see highs anywhere near 90 degrees, so I feel confident heralding fall's arrival! I truly enjoy getting out in my yard when the weather is cooler, and currently I'm working on the pre-winter cleanup of our landscape. You should be, too!

.....I always start this process by removing the summer annuals, and waited an extra two weeks this year because I had Monarch butterflies that suddenly appeared, and wanted to make sure they were able to get the nourishment they needed to start their migration back to Mexico. When removing zinnias, I was careful to pull the dried flower heads and shake the seeds back into the bed. I had quite a few volunteer flowers this year, and I'm hoping for more next year. I also gave a final light trim to shrubs, and put iron chelate on some azaleas to correct chlorosis. Remember, *do not prune* spring-flowering shrubs at this time, as azaleas, hydrangeas, spirea, forsythia, quince, and mock orange have *already* formed their buds for spring. I've also moved and planted a few daylilies. Now is an excellent time to plant summer-blooming perennials such as daylilies, daisies, and irises. After removing trimmings from the beds, rake them smooth and plant winter annuals. I'll be adding more dianthus in the front and pansies in the back where it is fenced. The deer in our area LOVE pansies, and I've even had them eat them out of my front planters! Lesson learned! Once you've finished planting winter annuals, again apply weed preventative to help eliminate early spring weeds. When that step is complete, add fresh pine straw to help protect plants from the inevitable freezing weather.

.....For those of you feeding our feathered friends. please remove your

..... If any of you reading our featured friends, please remove your hummingbird feeders. I've just taken mine down after waiting two weeks from the last sighting I had. Continue to keep any other feeders and birdbath filled, and enjoy seeing the increase in activity around it.

..... Tomato update: Some of you have been asking about my husband's fall tomatoes, and I'm happy to say that we are still eating fresh cherry tomatoes, and even have some ripening on the vine. The larger variety did not fair as well. Unfortunately, there were still some pretty nasty pests around that got more than their fair share of the harvest, but we did have enough to have a wonderful caprese salad!

..... Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

~~ Karen Travillo, Master Gardener Lafayette Co.



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## QUICK BITES

### NOVEMBER 4 – FLOWERS, SPICE, AND EVERYTHING NICE LYNETTE MCDUGALD, INSTRUCTOR – PLANT & SOIL SCIENCES

November is filled with warm hues, fragrances from the kitchen, and fun family gatherings. Let's begin to prepare for this wonderful season.

**Zoom Registration Link:** <http://msuext.ms/qb2021-11-04>

Quick Bites programs are offered through the Mississippi State University Extension Service and provide information in a wide variety of topics through Zoom. The programs are held during lunch (12-1 pm) on **Thursdays**. Sessions will be held in Bost 409 for those who are on campus. Contact your county office for more information.

For County Offices: Counties may sign up via the Zoom registration link if they plan to host a program within their office area according to the current face-to-face numbers and meeting space

guidelines.

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