

Greater Lexington Newcomers

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MEETINGS ARE HELD THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT THE VIRGINIA HORSE CENTER ON ROUTE 39 (2ND LEVEL).

CLUB ACTIVITIES 2007

Note: If for some reason you cannot attend an event for which you signed up, please notify either Jane Auciello or someone who will be going. At the Activities table a "Save the Date" form will allow you to make a note of events, dates, times etc. in case you forget your calendar. Carpool driver compensation is: up to 35 miles = \$3.00, up to 60 miles = \$5.00, over 60 miles = \$8.00 max.

May

19: Battle of New Market Reenactment of Civil War Battle (Saturday). Adult ticket for \$10 and pay your carpool driver. We will carpool from Peebles parking lot leaving at 9:00 a.m. Camp opens to public at 10 a.m., tickets available at gate. Demonstration of army camp life, Stonewall Brigade band concert, artillery demonstration, battle reenactment. Contact Jane Auciello for information. This is an all day activity.

June

6: General meeting.

July

7: Annual Picnic. We have reserved the hilltop (double-decker) shelter at Glen Maury Park for our picnic. Meats, cole slaw, and baked beans will be provided. Attendees will be ask to bring salads and desserts to share. A signup sheet will be provided at the June meeting. Details to follow in the next newsletter and meeting.

11: General meeting.

December

9: Holiday Party at VMI's Moody Hall

Calendar

May	19	Battle of New Market Reenactment
June	6	General Meeting
July	7	Annual Picnic
	11	General Meeting
December	9	Holiday Party

MISCELLANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newcomers Art Show at Nelson Fine Arts Gallery on Washington Street: Newcomer artists can participate in a show at the Nelson Gallery. The art displayed must be for sale, and the gallery will receive a commission (to be announced later). Frank Harrelson is the liaison between the Club and the gallery. You may email him at newcomers-membership@earthlink.net or call him at 261-1141. Be sure to let him know if you want to exhibit your works in this show.

New Newsletter Editors. In the upcoming year our new newsletter editors will be Jan and Mike White

INTEREST GROUPS

Interest group participants must be members of Newcomers. To join an interest group, call the contact. (Area code 540 unless otherwise stated.)

Baseball Club

Contact: Jerry Plante (463-4032). Call to get on the email list.

Book Clubs

Book Club #2 - Norma Combs (463-2745) - filled
(nacombs@ntelos.net)

3rd Monday of the month at 1:30 PM

5/21, 10 AM - Carpool to Green Valley Book Fair with lunch following at the Village Inn. Meet at 1:30 PM at Sarah Pierce's to discuss "No Graves As Yet" by Anne Perry

6/18, 1:30 PM - Meet at Carole Elmore's to discuss "Move On: Adventures in the Real World" by Linda Ellerbe

Book Club #3 - Evelyn Caldwell (464-5571) - open 4th
Thurs. of the month at 1 p.m. (ebcaldwell@earthlink.net)

Bridge

Bridge #1 - Faye Welch (463-5320) - call to substitute
2nd Thursday of the month at 1 PM

Bridge #2 - Marlies Aldridge (464-3080)
At Lexington Golf and Country Club, 2nd Tuesday -
12 Noon lunch; 1 PM game. Seeking new members for
friendly games.

Couples Bridge #2 - Cathy Broach (261-3141)
3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM
Substitutes welcome. 5/16 at Harrelson's

Dining Out

May is a Dining Out Month. Sixty-five members have signed up in 5 different groups to dine out at some great restaurants. If you can't make it in May, we will look forward to having you join us next time. Contact: Frank Harrelson (261-1141) fharrelson@earthling.net.

Fine Dining Group

Contact Linda or Bob Textor (348-1919), ltextor@hughes.net or refer to the website for additional information – <http://www.lexvanewcomers.org/finedining.html>. The May dining group is in progress now. This will be the final fine dining event for this club year. Thanks for helping to make this special interest group a success. As always, if you have any recommendations for improving it for next year, let us know.

Canasta

Contact: Shirley Dent (348-1048). Call to join or substitute.
Meets 12 Noon, 4th Tuesday of every month
May Canasta is at Aline McKenna's.

Wine Tasting Group

George Grasse will no longer be heading up the wine tasting operation. He encourages others to step forward to carry on the work of the group.

Scrabble

Group #1 - Ellen Charske (463-7971), 3rd or 4th Thursday at 1 PM.

Group #3 - Scrabble group #3 will meet Wednesday, May 23 at 1:00 PM at the Harrelson's in Buena Vista.

Hiking Club

Each Friday, weather permitting. Hikes are about 3 to 6 miles and are from easy to strenuous. Contact Lucy Thornburgh bthom@mindspring.com. Email notices of upcoming hikes are provided to interested parties.

Membership

Newcomers' membership continues to grow. The number of memberships has grown to 165, representing a total membership 296 people. Be sure to tell your friends and neighbors who are new to the area about the many exciting benefits of participating, and bring them to a meeting. If you know a person new to the area, be sure to invite them to a meeting. There is a new email address that you may use to contact the Membership Chairperson directly. It is newcomers-membership@earthlink.net. Please keep the membership committee aware of address and email changes as they are responsible for maintenance of the master database.

Nominating Committee's proposed slate of Officers and Standing Committee Chairs for next year

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT – Mary Brooks (automatic succession from V.P.)
 VICE PRESIDENT – Shelley Undercoffer
 CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – Sandy Harrelson
 TREASURER – Margaret Skovira (2nd Year)

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

ACTIVITIES - Susan and Ed Bauer
 DIRECTORY – Jan and Mike White (2nd Year)
 HISTORIAN – Carole Elmore
 HOSPITALITY – Jane Auciello and Nancy Vallance
 MEMBERSHIP – Frank Harrelson (2nd Year)
 NEWSLETTER – Jan and Mike White
 PUBLICITY – Lynne Sullivan (2nd Year)
 WELCOME – Cathy Broach (2nd Year)

Voting will be at the June 6 meeting.

GREATER LEXINGTON NEWCOMERS CLUB FINANCIAL STATEMENT: SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 - APRIL 4, 2007

		Budget
Beginning Balance	\$4178.32	4,000
INFLOWS		
Dues	3,250.00	3,200
Holiday Party Reservations	2,160.00	
March Luncheon Reservations	205.00	
Total INFLOWS	\$5,615.00	
OUTFLOWS		
Directory	343.10	350
Door Prizes/Moral Gal	143.69	180
Gift/Memorial	100.00	200
Holiday Party Expense	3,437.13 (1,277.13 net)	2,000
Holiday Party Expense 2007	250.00	
New Member Coffee		200
Newsletter	115.16	250
Office Supplies	333.79	240
Room Rent	600.00	1,000.00
Special Events		
Concert		280
Lunch	407.78	420
Picnic		400
Web Site	107.40	125
Total OUTFLOWS	\$5,838.05	5,795
ENDING BALANCE	\$3,955.27	1,405

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT MAY 2007

The Nominating Committee met in April to compile a slate of officers and standing committee chairmen for next year. As a result, we have a superb group of leaders to present to the membership for a vote at the June meeting. The names are listed elsewhere in this newsletter. Thanks to members of the Nominating Committee who devoted time and effort to this crucial task (the current officers, immediate past president, plus Frank Harrelson, Karen Hyde, Pat Rafferty, Shelley Undercoffer, and Jan White).

This Newcomers year is winding down. Our last general meeting will be in July (the 11th rather than the 4th). It's time for officers, committee chairmen, and interest group coordinators to think about compiling your annual reports. I hope to receive these reports by late July in order to make them available to next year's leadership team sometime in August. The ideas and helpful suggestions you can provide based on your experiences will greatly benefit those who succeed you.

See you at the next general meeting on June 6.

Glenda Grasse, President
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NEW MEMBERS: MAY

Eleanor P. Nash
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Lexington, VA 24450
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The following get-well, sympathy and new baby cards were sent out by our Correspondence Secretary, Barbara Rollenhagen

Get Well

Carol Silk
Barbara Anderson

Sympathy

Jan Bronander

Officers/Committees

President: Glenda Grasse 463-4267
 Vice President: Mary Brooks 463-6643
 C. Secretary: Barbara Rollenhagen 463-7473
 Treasurer: Margaret Skovira 348-1093
 Activities: Jane Auciello 377-5332
 Directory: Jan & Mike White 261-2119
 Historian: Karen Hyde (434)922-7702
 Membership: Frank Harrelson 261-1141
 Name Tags: Linda Regel 264-0174
 New Member Coffee: Linda Donald 463-2947
 Nancy Mills 463-5562
 Newsletter: Cindy & John Sappington ... 348-6339
 Publicity: Lynne Sullivan 261-2826
 Web Site: Dorothy Coker 348-6248
 Welcome: Cathy Broach 261-3141
 Immediate P. Pres Sandy Harrelson 261-1141