

Greater Lexington Newcomers

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We have nearly arrived at the end of our operating year, and on behalf of our outgoing president, Terrie Scholl, I would like to thank the membership for their support and participation over the past ten months. We have experienced some fine and pleasurable events, the Christmas party and picnic among them, and we have shared and enjoyed each other's company at meetings and activities. I think we can safely declare 2010-2011 a success and move on to the forthcoming year.

To eliminate any confusion regarding schedule, we will have a meeting in July on the first Wednesday, but we will not meet in August. This is pretty much the traditional way of coping with the absences and inertia associated with mid-summer in this area.

I am certainly looking forward to the new year wherein we will have a new Interest Group, Arts and Crafts, and, of course new newcomers to inject new ideas and enthusiasms. So enjoy the summer safely and stay cool.

Cheers. Mike Quarles

GREATER LEXINGTON NEWCOMERS 2011 ANNUAL PICNIC SUNDAY, JULY 10th. 2:00 TO 5:00PM

The annual Lexington Newcomers Club picnic will be held on Sunday, July 10th from 2:00 to 5:00pm at the Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista. We will be again be using the double decker pavilion near the top of the hill. The cost will be \$10.00 per person, plus an appetizer or dessert to share. If your last name begins with A - P, please bring an appetizer . . . names beginning Q - Z, a dessert.



Kenney's of Lexington is providing the following menu: 2 pieces fried chicken, macaroni and cheese, baked beans and coleslaw. Also provided will be rolls, iced tea, sodas and water. Social hour will begin at 2:00, dinner will be served at 3:00.

You may sign up and pay at the meeting or send a check made out to THE GREATER LEXINGTON NEWCOMERS CLUB to Pat Cleaveland, 122 Chavis Avenue, Lexington, VA 24450 or to Rosemary Cecil, 425 Brownsburg Tpke. Rockbridge Baths. VA 24473. We will need to receive names and money no later than July 6. No refunds will be given after July 1st.

BICYCLING OUTING IS THE JUNE ACTIVITY

Join with your fellow newcomers as we bicycle down the Virginia Creeper Trail from White Top to Damascus. This is a fourteen mile trip, all of which is down hill except the last four miles which are level with perhaps a slight downhill tilt. It is a beautiful time of year to enjoy the Virginia high country very near the North Carolina border. The details are:

WHEN: Starting June 15th (a Wednesday) at 8:00 am, returning June 16th.

WHERE: Meet at the Lexington Food Lion lot to establish car pools, or proceed independently to Damascus Virginia to arrive by 11:15 am, permitting time for lunch.

WHAT: Assemble at the Bike Station in Damascus by 12:30 pm. Board the van for White Top at 1:00 and begin the down hill journey about twenty minutes later, arriving back at the Bike Station about 4:00. Drive to Abingdon to one of several motels, check in, clean up and dress informally for dinner at The Tavern in Abingdon, meeting there at 7:00 pm.

DETAILS: Bike rental with transportation to the starting point costs \$24. Water is included if you rent a bike. Transportation alone costs \$13. Motel charges range from about \$60 (at the Alpine Motel) upwards to about \$85 at newer (but no cleaner) mainstream motels in the area. Or you can spend more and really live it up at the grand old Martha Washington Hotel across the street from the Barter Theater. The Tavern meals run about \$35 (including salad and dessert) without alcohol, tax, or tip. Wear clothing suitable for biking, and apply sun screen. If you bring your own bike, ensure you have a pump, tire tools, and an extra tube, and that it is in a good state of repair, paying

particular attention to brakes. This is, after all, a downhill trip.

ADMINISTRATION: No money will be collected beforehand, but accurate reservations must be made so that all is properly prepared for us at the Bike Station and the restaurant. Contact Mike Quarles quarlestwo@earthlink.net or 463.5290 **PRIOR TO 8 JUNE** to sign up. Indicate whether you wish to car pool, whether you wish to rent a bike, and whether your party includes any non-riders who will join us for dinner.

Finally, this is a very easy bike trip through gorgeous country at a scenic time of year combined with a memorable meal at an historic restaurant. It's about the most fun you can have without leaving Virginia.

MEMBERSHIP

We had two new memberships join last month.

They are:

Greg and Marlene Shear
757 Raphine Rd, Raphine, VA 24472
gregshear43@gmail.com

Rick and Joan Harden
3260 S Lee Hwy Glasgow, VA 24555
joanharden@gmail.com



HOSPITALITY

A coffee for the newest members of this club will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 26th, at the home of Doris and Dennis Greywall.

Their address is 1180 Forest Grove Road, Lexington. Invitations will be mailed soon, and will include directions. If you have questions, call Mary Quarles 540-463-5290.





FROM THE HISTORIAN:

We are in the process of creating an on-line photo album. Please send your photos to Web Master, Gary Sullivan.



THINKING OF YOU

Members are requested to please keep Jane Auciello, our corresponding secretary, informed of any member to whom a card should be sent. Jane can be reached by email at hnojauciel@gmail.com or 460-0585.

Interest Groups

Interest group participants must be members of Newcomers. To join an interest group, call or email the contact person

New Interest Group Forming



Arts/Crafts and Art Trips

We will try to meet once a month for craft workshops or trips to museums. On June 22nd we would like to visit the P. Buckley Moss Museum and have lunch in Waynesboro. In July, we will visit The Quilt Museum and have lunch in Harrisonburg. More information in the July newsletter. August will be time off for R and R. In September, Darin Dockel will teach a craft workshop. Also in September we will regroup and put out a schedule. Joan Carson is the contact person for this new group. If you would like to be a part of the planning committee for this new group, or you would like to share your ideas for craft workshops or museum tours or you want to sign up for the June activity please email Joan, JCarson0149@yahoo.com or call her at 463-6994.



Scrabble #3

Carolyn Rapoza has taken over the coordinator's position for Scrabble Group #3. At the present time, she does not have email access. Her telephone number is 540-463-6998.

Treasurer's Report 6/1/2011
Greater Lexington Newcomers Club

9/1/2010 through 6/1/2011

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$2,097.21
INCOME		
Dues	\$ 2,677.50	
Holiday Party Reservations	\$ 2,480.00	
Oktoberfest Reservations	\$ 1,375.00	
Picnic Reservations		
TOTAL Income		\$8,629.71
EXPENSES		
Directory (200)	\$ 278.86	
Gifts & Memorials	\$ 121.66	
Holiday Party 2010 (\$375*)	\$3,701.81	
Holiday Party 2011		
Newsletter	\$ 30.89	
Office Supplies	\$ 30.43	
Oktoberfest expenses (\$100*)	\$1,589.26	
Rent	\$ 420.00	
New Member Coffee	\$ 75.00	
Special Events		
Picnic	\$ 75.00	
Web – Tiger Tech		
TOTAL Expenses		\$6,382.91
ENDING BALANCE		\$2,246.80

* = paid deposits in last year funds

Rosemary Cecil 2010-2011 Treasurer

Fine Dining Group

The Fine Dining group is now chaired by Mary Ellena Ward assisted by Jim Slack. All those who are already members will continue. Mary Ellena will verify by email. Those who wish to join this wonderful group should contact her. It is a great way to get to know your fellow Newcomers.



The group meets three times between September and May with four to six guests at each host's house. See <http://lexvanewcomers.org/interest.html> for details.



Couples Bridge #2

Cathy Broach (261-3141)
3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM.
June 15 - Fran and Jim Naylor's
July 20 - Cathy and Bill Broach's
August 17 - Susan Bushnell/John Murphy's

Barbara's Bridge Buddies

Ellen Charske 463-7971

Canasta

Canasta meets the fourth Tuesday of each month. Anyone interested in joining or being a sub, please contact Donna Garnett at dgarnett42@yahoo.com or call 540-784-9322

Dining Out

Dining out group will resume in September.



Fourth Thursday Book Club

Fourth Thursday BC, filled for now, Evelyn Caldwell, ebcaldwell@embarqmail.com; 463-9775.

Book Club B

Doris Greywall 463-2745
dorisingrewall@hughes.net

The Hiking Group



The Newcomers Hiking group hikes on Fridays weather permitting. Anyone wishing to be added to the email notification list should contact Don Brooke at donbrooke@gmail.com or Debbie Maurer at mountaintoppers@hughes.net. Email notification is usually sent out each Wednesday for the Friday hike.

Wine Tasting Group



Our Wine Tasting has been put on hold. I am retiring as Coordinator of the Wine Club. Norma and Wayne Combs and Paul Miller will be taking over and running the club. In August I will assist them as they get started in their new positions. I have really enjoyed this job and I know they will too. And they will bring a fresh perspective to our tastings and our parties.

My thanks to everyone for your help and input these past few years. Together we've made this club the terrific group it's been!

If you would like to join the wine group, there will be a chance to sign up at our September meeting.