

Newcomers Club - Annual Membership Renewal

Dues for September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022

\$25.00 payable to Newcomers Club

We are streamlining our renewal process this year. PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

Mail your \$25 check directly to our Treasurer. Make your check payable to Newcomers Club.

If your information in the current Roster has not changed, then you do NOT need to complete and mail a renewal form with your check.

If you wish to change your name, address, phone number, preferred phone number, email address or add your birthday, **email your changes** to our Membership Chair.

If you would like to make a cash donation to our Christmas Families Project, you can simply add a donation to your dues check. If you would rather write a separate check, please do so for any amount over \$25. Any amount over the \$25 renewal dues will go directly to Christmas Families Project.

Your donations will be acknowledged with a Donation Thank You letter in January.

If you have any questions, please contact our Membership Chair

To be listed in the Roster, we need to **receive your check by July 31.**

(Upon reaching the age of 90, a Lifetime Membership may be granted to a member in good standing who has had an ongoing membership in the club for at least five years. Lifetime Membership waives payment of dues. To apply, contact our Membership Chair.)

Nevada County Newcomers Club

May 2021

President's Message

"Friends are special people. They help you through the years. They help you through the good times and even through the tears."

~ Anonymous

As you can see, I have been relegated to the second page of this newsletter but with good reason. We value your membership and want to encourage you to remain a member of this amazing club. It not only promotes comradery, but also gives you the opportunity to make new friends and keep in touch with old ones. Unfortunately, the club has not been able to operate as usual during the pandemic, but we are hoping that things will be back to normal when we begin our fiscal year on September 1, 2021. We are anticipating that we will be back at the Alta Sierra Country Club where we will once again be able to enjoy each other's company. Hopefully, those of you who belong to one of our Activity groups have been able to connect through Zoom during this time. In-mid April, I was excited to physically get together with a few of my Book Club friends as we have all had our vaccinations and felt that we could safely meet. What a treat that was.

This month, we can look forward to our first program via Zoom. We are hoping many of you will be able to join us. Laurie Smotherman will give the presentation. You can find more details in this newsletter provided by Program chairs. A Zoom invitation will go out to all members later this month.

As always, stay safe and well. I hope that all of you who wish to be vaccinated have already received the shots and feel more comfortable about getting together with friends. However until we are assured that the pandemic is over, we still need to wear our masks and practice social distancing.

May Program – The History of Mare Island

May 26, 2021 at 1:00 pm

Zoom Presentation

Laurie Smotherman, the immediate past Regent of the Auburn chapter of D.A.R. (Daughters of the American Revolution) will give a very fun and informative Zoom presentation discussing the history of Mare Island from Native American presence to the Navy base closure. The presentation will include sharing some very special photos. Be sure to invite your husband to enjoy this fascinating presentation with you, especially if he has served in the military.

Activities

As things begin to open up, potential new members want to know more about Newcomers and our Activity groups. The members in each group choose when to meet in person, if at all. The important thing is to stay connected, even if it's just a social visit on Zoom. It would be fun to share with all our members the creative things groups have been doing!

Any group leader who wishes to set up a Zoom link for her Activity group should contact our Activities chair. The meeting time and day requested will be verified for availability on the Zoom calendar. Once that is established, the request will be sent to our Website Chair who is now handling setting up our Zoom links.

If you have any questions, ideas or are interested in forming a new group, please contact our Activities chair.

The Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is working to find Newcomers members to fill two remaining positions on the board for the upcoming year, from September to June. We realize this past year has been very challenging, but we look forward to being able to gather again soon. Getting involved on the Board is a great experience and a wonderful way to make some long lasting friendships.

Vice President – moves into the President position after one year

This position could easily be a co-chaired position. Having two people work as a team makes it easier, and a lot more fun.

Membership – A co-chair is needed to work with our current chair, Ann Barbaro.

This would be a great opportunity to work with Ann since she already has valuable experience in this position. Again, two people can make a wonderful team.

If you are interested in either of these positions, please contact one of the committee members.

Sunshine

If you know of anyone needing some support, comfort or encouragement from our club, please contact our Sunshine Chair.

Membership

E-Mail Changes, Membership Questions: If you know someone who would be interested in joining Newcomers, contact our Membership chair or direct her to our website, NewcomersNC.org, where she can find and print a Membership application.