

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 just send in your renewal 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 Ann Barbaro.)

Nevada County Newcomers Club

June 2021

President's Message

"True friends are always there for you today, tomorrow and forever. They will always be there for you when you need them the most."

~ Anonymous

I am sure many of you have already renewed your membership and I am hoping that others will soon be sending in their membership dues for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

As we reflect on what our club means to us, we need to remember that the club was formed in 1954 by several alumni members of the Beta Sigma Phi sorority when they decided to continue their sisterhood as the Newcomers Club of Nevada County. The main activities in the fifties consisted of gardening and, surprisingly, a vocal chorus group. I am sure when the club was formed those original members would never have imagined that we would become one of the largest women's groups in the area.

There have been several milestones over the years and in 1987 the practice of membership by invitation only was discontinued and all women of the community were invited to join. The late 1980s saw the founding of the Activities groups which have become a popular part of our club.

Over the years we have made several donations in support of community projects including a contribution to help fund the huge "Gentle Giant" bronze statue at the fairgrounds. The club's name appears on one of the bronze plaques displayed under this impressive piece of art. Importantly, in 2002, we started our Christmas Families Project which has always been well supported by the membership. Let us make sure that the club continues to thrive in the years to come and, of course, that is all up to us.

As always, stay safe and well. Hopefully, we will soon see an end to the pandemic and the club will be able to resume normal activities. I hope you all have an enjoyable July and August and I look forward to welcoming you to our first meeting in September.

Upcoming Program Highlights

September 22, 2021 – For our first luncheon in the fall, a husband and wife duo, Robert Caudle and Sherri-Lynn Laboissoniere, will entertain us with their program, "The Rat Pack." He looks and sings like "Dean Martin," and she like "Marilyn Monroe." What a great way to be welcomed back.

December 8, 2021 – Ken Getz and a group of singers from the InConcert Sierra Quartet will entertain us for the December luncheon.

Our Program Chairs are busy working on other speakers for our luncheons in the fall. We will update you in August with more information.

Garden Club April Plant Sale and Exchange

We are happy to announce that the Garden Club raised \$380 for the benefit of Christmas Families Project at our April plant sale and exchange. We were so successful that this will become an annual April project for us. The event will be open to all club members and the public. We will make an announcement in the January 2022 Newsletter providing details.

Thank you to all members who participated by donating plants and garden accessories for sale and their plants for the plant exchange.

Perhaps you should think about joining the Garden Club. We can take as many NC members as would like to join. Contact the Garden Club Chair for more information.

Activities

As things begin to open up, current members and potential new members want to know more about Newcomers and our Activity groups. The members in each group choose when and where to meet in person, if at all. The important thing is that interest is picking up!

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

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.