



Lakeway Newcomers February 2020 Newsletter



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President's Message

Happy 2020! As we enter the new year, there are some dates the Newcomers Board would like you to put on your calendar.

For our Newcomers socials, we are going to try to stay consistent through 2020 by holding our primary events on the second Thursday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. There could be some exceptions -- the December Gala, for example. All of the socials (except the Gala) will be BYOB. The event will either be catered or you will be asked to bring a dish to share. These socials will be held at the Lakeway Activity Center, the Rough Hollow Pavilion, or in member homes. We are in the process of setting up all of the socials for the whole year.

We are also working with our sister organization, the Newcomers Alumni, with the hope of joining forces on some of our socials. And from time-to-time, we may offer smaller-scale special events. Please check your newsletter, which will now be published on the 25th of each month, for the specific details about all upcoming events.

We look forward to making many memories with you all in 2020!

Your Newcomers President,
Joan Peterson

Activities

Out-to-Lunch

The February Out-to-Lunch will be at **11:30 on Wednesday, February 19** in The Market Café at Plate, 12823 Shops Parkway, Bee Cave. Please use the Market Café entrance facing the Best Buy parking lot.

Our lunch selection will be quiche, several salads, soup and sandwiches from the Market menu.

Please RSVP to Renea Bergan, rbergan55@gmail.com by Saturday, February 15. Due to the small size of the restaurant and limited lunch staff, we are limited to 20 attendees.

Cinema Group



Each month the Cinema Group selects two films to see before the next meeting. Participants see one or both films on their own, and then meet as a group, once a month at 7:00 PM, to discuss the movies at the home of a member host. Participants rate the films and then select films for the following month's discussion.

Attendees are to bring an appetizer or dessert to share, plus a beverage of their choice. Each meeting host will set the attendance capacity for their home. Once the home's capacity has been reached, a wait-list will be started.

If you are interested in joining our Cinema Group, please contact Faith Stevens to be placed on the group's mailing list.

faithstevens@gmail.com

Group Chairs: Don & Faith Stevens

More Activities

BUNCO



Bunco is an easy-to-learn game during which you develop new friends, enrich older relationships, and share news. Join us for fun and camaraderie.

Date: Monday, February 17, 202

Time: 6:30 PM, Social, 7:00 PM Game

Place: Home of Genevieve Fessenden
107 Antigua Way

RSVP: Genevieve Fessenden
fessendeng@gmail.com

Cost: \$5.00
BYOB (no red wine, please) -- Snacks are provided

Because seating is limited for this popular activity, please individually confirm your RSVP to Genevieve only by email so that a waiting list can be established according to the date and time each reservation was sent. If you have registered and later find you are unable to attend – please notify Genevieve ASAP so the next person on the waiting list can be notified in time to attend.

Bunco hosts are needed for 2020. If you attend Bunco, please let Bunco Chair, Lo Walker, know if you can host or co-host a future Bunco event.

DINING OUT



Diners are organized into groups of six to eight members who meet each month at a different restaurant. The restaurants do not need to be located in Lakeway. Each single or couple takes a turn arranging their own group's next restaurant outing. The mix of people within each of the groups are shuffled from the previous cycle to provide a greater opportunity for participants to meet and get to know more Lakeway Newcomer members.

Registration for the *January to May* cycle is closed.

Information about registering for the next cycle will be posted in a spring newsletter. **Registrants from the previous cycle will automatically be included in the next cycle, unless the "Dining Out" Chair is notified otherwise.**

Please note – *The cycle's groupings will not be reconfigured after the list has been sent to all participants. If you need to drop out after the groups have been formed, we ask that you help your assigned group find a replacement.*

February Member-Only Social

Newcomers Old Fashioned Valentines Social

Food catered by: Mandolas

Complementary tasting by: Iron Wolf Distillery

Where: Lakeway Activity Center

When: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Cost: This social is **COMPLIMENTARY** for current Newcomers members, with a limit of 150 attendees



RSVP required to attend. *This is a MEMBER-ONLY event*

Email your RSVP to Renee Picanso at ReneePicanso@gmail.com and provide Renee with the names of those who will be attending.

The deadline for making a reservation is February 3, 2020.

Potential New Activities

Would you like the Lakeway Newcomers Club to offer additional social events?

The key element to being able to expand our Lakeway Newcomers sponsored events is to identify members who are interested in a new event type and who are also able to initially lead the new group. If you have an idea for a new group **and are willing to be the first-year chair for the group** -- please email our Newcomers President, Joan Peterson, at Kepjcp@msn.com to let her know about your interest in leading a new special interest group for Newcomers.

Currently, the Club sponsors:

- several **Evening Socials** held at the LAC and other venues
- **Out-to-Lunch** meet & greet dining experiences
- organized **Dining Out** groups that meet at restaurants of individualized choice
- a **Bunco Group** that meets monthly
- a **Cinema Group** that meets monthly to socialize and discuss current movies

We've compiled a short list of some other types of social groups that could be formed. However, this list is not meant to be the only types of groups that could be sponsored by our Newcomers Club.

- Wine or beer tasting group
- Happy Hour for couples and singles
- Men's book group
- Photography group – photo shoot and photo share
- Ex-Pats for couples and singles
- Hiking group
- Golf followed by potlucks or restaurant dining
- Day trip outings
- Special topic discussion group
- Game groups (e.g., Mah Jongg, Bridge, Canasta, board games)
- Singles-only social groups

Membership

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Please tell your new Lakeway neighbors about our Newcomers Club and the fun activities that are available. **The membership form for new members and for renewing members can be printed from the *Membership* link on our website located at:**

Lakewaynewcomers.com

If you have have changes to your member information (e.g., email, phone number, address changes), or you have questions about joining or renewing, please contact *Jim Filas* at:

lakewaynewcomers2020@gmail.com

or

(512) 660-8637

NEW MEMBERS

Please Welcome Our New Members

Dana Hollis

317 Hurst Creek Rd.
From Australia

Nancy Vaughn

105 Bisset Ct.
From Sacramento, CA

Cheryl and Walter May

407 Bella Montagna Circle
From Houston, TX

Bonee and Pete Nelson

1808 Lakeway Blvd.
From Mission Viejo, CA



Member Support



Do you know a member, who is seriously ill, hospitalized, injured, or has had a death in the family? If so, please call [Pat Younger](tel:7138166477) at (713) 816-6477 or e-mail her at youngerpat@aol.com so that our club's support can be shared with a card, by your prayers, or other forms of caring.



For Newcomers Club news information, including the current and archived newsletters, check the club website at: Lakewaynewcomers.com

The website-protected areas include the membership directory. To access the protected areas, use your assigned password. If you do not remember your logon information, please email Robert Levey at:

rlevey01@gmail.com



Your 2020 Lakeway Newcomers Board

President: Joan Peterson

Treasurer: Keith Peterson

Secretary: Faith Stevens

Membership: Jim Filas

Social & Special Events Committee: Renee Picanso, Robin Herman,
Cindy Kilmer, Sara Scarberry

Technology Director: Robert Levey

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Welcoming Ambassador: Pat Younger