

# Lakeway Newcomers September 2020 Newsletter

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Greetings fellow Newcomers -- Your Board continues monthly safe-distanced meetings to discuss what we can do for our members during this difficult time. One of the things we can do is modernize the Newcomers bylaws. So, that's what we focused on at our August meeting, and we will continue to work on in September.

Going through the bylaws could be about as much fun as watching paint dry. But fortunately, each board member contributed ideas and fun facts that gave us something to laugh about, or at least keep us focused. Surprisingly, we worked for two plus hours going through just the first half of the document, but the time flew. We had a spirited discussion about each board member's duties and responsibilities. Funny how everyone likes defining other people's jobs but not their own. Suffice to say, I'm smiling as I write this message.

I heard a rumor about the Lakeway Activity Center (LAC) that we now needed all our members to join the LAC to receive a discounted rate for our socials held at the LAC. Another rumor was the LAC had discontinued reduced rates for all Lakeway social groups. To get clarification, I spoke to LAC Manager, Dallas Gorman, and she assured me that the LAC is continuing to offer the 50% discount to all social groups that meet the 80% LAC membership requirement. Our Membership Director, Jim Filas, apprised the Board that we currently meet this 80% LAC requirement.

As I said in my message last month, the Board is waiving 2021 dues for members who paid 2020 dues. In November, we will be doing a mailing to all members to ask them to sign a *release of liability* for the 2021 year, i.e., a 2021 membership renewal form. I wanted to give you a heads-up about this, and I will continue to remind you until this is accomplished.

The board will continue its journey through the bylaws, and we will update you with the results once our work is complete. Stay cool, safe and healthy.

Your Newcomers President,

Joan Peterson

## Membership

#### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

#### **New Members**

The membership form for new members <u>and</u> for renewing members can be printed from the *Membership* link on our website located at: <u>Lakewaynewcomers.com</u>

If you have had 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

Because all Newcomers activities for 2020 are cancelled, the Board has agreed to waive 2021 dues for all members who have paid dues for the 2020 membership year. Any new members that join Lakeway Newcomers during the remainder of 2020 will also have their membership extended. Current members being grandfathered for the 2021 membership year will only need to supply the Director of Membership, Jim Filas, with a recently signed *release of liability* form to cover their gratis 2021 membership. Instructions coming in November.

#### Please welcome our new members:

#### **Brenda and Phil Burden**

201 Tavish Trail From Hilton Head, SC





### 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 at (713) 816-6477 or e-mail her at <a href="mailto:youngerpat@aol.com">youngerpat@aol.com</a> 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**

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