

Lakeway Newcomers December 2021 Newsletter



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Greetings fellow Newcomers,

I am excited to announce our new Board of Directors that will serve in 2022. See the list of directors posted on the *Member Support* page of this newsletter.

One of the major accomplishments of your current Board during the past year was to bring our Lakeway Newcomers Bylaws up-to-date. The Board carefully reviewed every paragraph and policy to ensure that the Bylaws now reflect the current realties for sustaining and managing Lakeway Newcomers. These updated Bylaws are now available for the in-coming Board and for viewing by all members on our website.

I would like to thank the new members and the Board for coming out on a cool rainy night to attend the special New Member social held at Woody's Tavern and Grill. It was a great opportunity for getting to know some of our new members -- and for those who attended, to begin forming connections with other members. The food was great, too!

I wish you and yours a safe, healthy, and wonderful Thanksgiving, and I will be looking to seeing you all at the Christmas Gala on December 9.

Joan Peterson

Activities

Out-to-Lunch



Cinema Group



We will be taking a holiday break for the month of December, so there will not be an Out-to-Lunch event this coming month.

Our luncheons are open to all Lakeway Newcomers members (singles, couples, men and women). We look forward to seeing you in the new year at Out-to-Lunch.

If you have questions about this group, email Renea Bergan at rbergan55@gmail.com.

Chair: Renea Bergan

We have restarted in-home meetings. The group selects up to three films, which participants will watch on their own, and then on the fourth Friday of each month, we meet as a group to discuss and rate that month's selected movies.

Attendees will bring an appetizer or dessert to share in addition to bringing their own beverage of choice. There is a social time at 7:00 with the movie discussion beginning at 7:30. A short social break occurs between the discussion and the initial nominations of the next month's movies. The movies can be a mix of in-theater and video streaming options.

Group members take turns being the host. The host of the current month's meeting will set the attendance capacity for their home. Once the home's capacity has been reached, a wait-list will be started. To be placed on the group's mailing list, email Faith Stevens at faithstevens@gmail.com.

Co-Chairs: Don and Faith Stevens

More Activities

Bunco-for-All



Dining Out



This new group is targeted at couples and partner teams of single players. The first Bunco-for-All will be on **January 17**. Watch for an announcement with the details about this first event, and be sure to **save-the-date** if you are interested in playing.

The previous Bunco hosting format restricted the number of members who could participate. There was always a waiting list due to the activity's popularity. The new format will allow for having more than just one host home so that all who want to participate can attend.

If you would like more information about the new format or are willing to help organize or host future Bunco events, please contact Joan Peterson at kepjcp@msn.com.

Dining Out continues to be a highly popular Newcomers activity. The next Dining Out cycle will begin in January and conclude at the end of May. All participants from the last cycle have been grandfathered into the winter cycle, unless you notified Chair, Ed Hermann, of a change in your status.

After the Chair has published the list of dining groups for the current cycle, and if there's a change in your participation status, please assist your assigned dining group in identifying alternatives or substitutes for continuing that group through the current dining cycle.

If you have questions about this activity group, please direct your inquire to the group's Chair at lakewaydiningout@gmail.com.

Chair: Ed Hermann

Men's Night Out



Golf Outing



There was a good turn-out for our first Men's Night Out Happy Hour that was held at the Smoked at the Oak restaurant on November 18th.

The group enjoyed having the opportunity to chat with other Newcomers men over drinks and BBQ. There appears to enough interest for continuing such special get-togethers for our male Newcomer members, and a few ideas for future events were presented by John Bergan.

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We will be trying to identify and secure tee times for a December member scramble. However, because it's getting dark sooner, it will be more difficult to get a time slot that will accommodate our multiple groups of foursomes.

If we are able to secure an acceptable time slot during December, we will send out an announcement requesting RSVPs of those members who would like to play.

In the past, most of the players gathered for dinner and the awarding of prizes at a local restaurant following the scramble.





Membership and New Members

It's time to renew your membership for 2022. Announcements have been sent out to notify current members that completed renewal forms and payment for the 2022 calendar year are due by December 31, 2021. The membership form for new members and for renewing members can be printed from the *Membership* link on our website located at: <u>Lakewaynewcomers.com</u>.

On your renewal form, **if your member spouse has his or her own email address, please include both email addresses on the membership form**. This is the only way to ensure that both members will receive timely Newcomers announcements and newsletters. If you have questions about joining or renewing, please contact *Jim Filas* at: lakewaynewcomers2020@gmail.com or (512) 660-8637

Please welcome our new members!

Pamela and Mike Tauber

105 Wee Scot Cove From New York, NY

Leslee and J.J. Minahan 310 Aguja Ct. From Houston, TX



Jean Bringol

606 Explorer From Austin, TX

Brooke and Eric Grafstrom

104 Schooner Dr. From Menlo Park, 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 at (713) 816-6477 or e-mail her at youngerpat@aol.com so that our club's support can be shared with a card, with prayers, or by other forms of caring.

A card was sent to Patty Anderson this past month.



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 Steve Guty at: ctl-alt-del@msn.com

2022 Newcomers Board

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Your Current 2021 Lakeway Newcomers Board

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