

NEWCOMERS' CLUB

2024
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The goal of this organization shall be to extend to newcomers of Greater Columbia assistance in beginning a social life in a new community and promoting interest in Greater Columbia and its civic and cultural affairs.

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PRESIDENTS' CORNER

The Newcomers of Greater Columbia have kept on exploring, socializing, and having fun this summer! Our interest groups continue to be active, and we welcome new members each month. Don't forget to keep spreading the word to your friends to come join us! Life is better with friends! I am happy to call each of our members my friend. We enjoy many good times together!

As we pass the halfway point in the year, the board is checking in and reviewing how things are going. We reviewed the budget at the last board meeting, and we are in good shape and on track with our spending. If you would like to see the budget just let one of the presidents know and we will be happy to send it to you. It will also be included with the July board meeting minutes.

The mid-year point also brings us to beginning our planning for next year. As you know, our club cannot run without the help of MANY wonderful volunteers. Our system is flowing well currently which means minimal work for individuals as everyone gives a little. We appreciate you all!

We are in the process of forming our nominating committee to help fill a few positions that will be left vacant at the end of the year. The entire board will be helping on the nominating committee and working to find those special people to fill open roles. We do need 3 club members who are not on the board to help on the nominating committee as well. Please consider helping in this and let either Kari or Carol know. We do not see this as a committee that will need to meet, we just need help finding members who fit our needed positions. And of course, if you are interested in serving in an open position next year, please let us know!

At this time, we are looking for two 1st vice-presidents. Those are the ladies who are responsible for the monthly luncheons. One person works on finding speakers monthly and one person works with the venues on planning the meals within our budget. I know we have Newcomers members who are members at each respective country club we currently use and can be wonderful advocates for us going forward, so you may consider this position. We could have 2 people fill the role, one to work with each club, and that cuts the job in half. Please consider it and share your thoughts with us! We also will be looking for an assistant treasurer to help collect monthly luncheon payments, and a recording secretary to take minutes during our meetings and report them to the membership. Our current treasurer is willing to move into the recording secretary position which would leave the treasurer position open so if you would like to do that it is possibly available also. Please know you have a lot of support and help in any position you choose to do. The presidents and other board members work closely together to support one another. If you are interested in volunteering for the nominating committee or any of the board positions, please let one of us know!

As always, we welcome your suggestions and are always here for you!

Your 2024 Co-Presidents,
Kari and Carol