

NEWCOMERS' CLUB



Serving the Greater Columbia Area -- www.newcomersofgreatercolumbia.com

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.

PRESIDENTS' CORNER

March is a transition month. This year March transitions from winter to spring on the 19th. The weather is a little bit warmer, and the sunshine makes it seem even warmer than the actual temperature. Another transition many people look forward to is daylight savings time and those longer daylight hours in the evening. Mark your calendar. This year March 10 begins daylight savings time. These changes during March allow us to enjoy the beautiful blooming flowers, gardening, taking walks, and other outdoor activities.

The Newcomers' Club is also transitioning. The Executive Board Members, Chairs of Standing Committees and Special Interest Groups are transitioning into their new roles and planning ways to make our club more enjoyable. Please support these members and their efforts by participating in activities, attending coffees and meetings, and volunteering to assist.

We were happy with the attendance at our January luncheon at Spring Valley Country Club and February coffee at the Lexington County Library. Thirty-seven members attended each of those events. We are hoping to see the numbers increase each month. Please plan to join us at our luncheons and coffees as well as our monthly activities.

The 2024 Newcomers Club Directory will be distributed soon. We are pleased to have 11 new members joining us this year. Our membership totals 100 so far. Thank you, Shirley, Membership Chair, for all the work you have done to complete the directory and get it ready for publication. Also, thank you to Deidra who volunteered again this year to proofread the directory.

The Presidents presented a proposed budget to the Executive Board at their February meeting. It was voted on and approved by the Board. A summary of the budget will be presented at the General Membership meeting, and copies will be available for review at the luncheon in February. If you have any questions regarding the budget, please contact one of the Presidents.

March's newsletter lists many interesting activities happening this month. We hope you'll be able to join us for some of these fun events. We still need a committee to plan the Spring Social. This year it's Lexington's turn to host this fun event. If you are interested in joining a group to plan the Spring Social, please let the Presidents know. The planning needs to begin soon!

We are always open to suggestions and solutions. We welcome your input.



Your 2024 Co-Presidents,
Carol & Kari