

NEWCOMER NEWS

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229 Members

April 2017

President's Message

Our annual Spring Fashion Show during the month of March was a great success! Let's give appreciation to all of the members who made it possible, whether by modeling in the fashion show, providing baskets, helping to organize this large event, or even just attending. What a fun experience!

Well, spring is officially here and Summer will be upon us soon! Take time to participate in some of the wonderful activities coming up in the next two months. The visit to the Planetarium and Brentwood as well as the High Tea at IYQ Tea Room in April along with Brookgreen Gardens in May are all going to be fun events. Be sure to stop by the Luncheon and Special Events tables to sign up at today's coffee.

Audrey Williamson
President

IMPORTANT DATES

CUT OUT AND SAVE!

COFFEE	LUNCHEON
April 5	April 26 – Brentwood
May 3	May 24 – Pine Lakes Myrtle Beach



The Newcomer Club Coffees

When: 1st Wednesday of the month (Sept-May)
Where: Carolina Forest Community and Rec Ctr.
2254 Carolina Forest Blvd., Myrtle Beach, 29579
Registration: 9:30 a.m. (please do not arrive earlier as the Coffee Hostesses, Activity Group Chairpersons, and sponsors are busy preparing the room.)
Business Meeting begins: 10:00 a.m.
April Coffee Program: Carolina Master Chorale
May Coffee Program: Dr. Pam Benbow, Audiologist

Remember to wear your name tag at all Newcomer events!!



A friendly cell phone reminder

Please be courteous and put your cell phone on vibrate or silent during our meetings.

NEWCOMER CLUB LUNCHEONS

The luncheons are usually held on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September through May, and include a presentation of interest to our members. Make reservations at the monthly Coffee (before or after the Business Meeting) with Myra Spitzhoff and Pam Bremer. Cash (exact change is greatly appreciated) or checks (payable to "Newcomers") are accepted. **No money can be refunded after the final reservations have been made.** If you cannot make your reservation at the Coffee, you may call Myra Spitzhoff at (704) 241-2904 or Pam Bremer (717) 487-4063 (between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. as a courtesy). Payments must be mailed to Myra Spitzhoff at 1174 Shire Way, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 or Pam Bremer at 1149 Wyatt Lane, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. **Reservations and payment MUST be received by the Wednesday preceding the event.**

When: Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 11:30 a.m.

Where: The Brentwood, 4269 Luck Ave. Little River, SC 29566

Directions: Take Hwy 17 North to Little River, it is across from Parsons Table.

Menu: Luncheon buffet with Brentwood house salad and classic Caesar Salad; Chicken Moutarde, Cod Provençal, and Bow Tie Carbonara; roasted red potatoes and sautéed spring vegetables; fresh rolls, whipped butter, and drinks (soda and tea).

Dessert: Mini crème brulee, key lime pie, and black forest cake.

Price: \$23.00 per person including tip and tax

We need at least 70 people to sign up. We have never had a luncheon with French food so we hope to see you there!

SNIPPETS

Mahjongg Info: The Grand Strand Senior Center on 21st Avenue in Myrtle Beach teaches Mahjongg on Wednesdays from 12-3 for anyone who is interested in learning how to play. You must be a member of the Senior Center to take the class. The cost to join is \$20.

What's Happening? If you are interested in finding out what's happening on the Grand Strand, check out the Myrtle Beach Calendar of Events at www.visitmyrtlebeach.com. Click on "To Do" in the upper right corner, and then click on Events.

Newsletter Deadline for May - Information for the May Newsletter is due to the Editor, Angela Harrison, no later than April 21. E-mail articles to reception@grandstrandlawyers.com (be sure to put **Newcomer's Newsletter** as the subject).



BOOK CLUB

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



The Newcomers Club offers a wide range of groups to suit your interest. If you want to join one of the groups listed or want to start a new one, check off areas of interest when submitting your membership form or visit our Interest Group Coordinator, Denise Snight, at our Interest Group table at the next coffee for more information.

State Groups: Maryland, New Jersey Group, New York Group, Ohio/PA.

Book Club

Bridge Group

Euchre

Game Night

Golf Group

Mahjongg South Strand

Bowling

Dine Around (North/Central)

Dine Around (South)

Gardening

Knitting/Crafts

Mahjongg North/Central

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**Movie and Dinner
Walking**

**Lunch and a Movie
Southern Girls Group**

See newcomers.org for more information on each of our special interest groups!

NEWCOMERS SELECTED CHARITIES FOR 2016-2017

Each August our Newcomers Board and our President select the charitable and service organizations that we will be working to help support during the year. Also, at every monthly Coffee and Luncheon a Purple Bucket will be passed for your voluntary contribution to a registered charity that the Board has selected for that month.

President's Pick: *Big Paws Canine*

The Board has chosen two charities: *Look Good, Feel Better* and *Hope House*

If anyone has any questions about our charities, or if you would like information on volunteering to help any of these choices, please contact Wendy Margulies at (843) 399-3106.

Purple Bucket: For the month of April, we have selected **Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association (CVMA)**.

Urgent Donations Needed for the Community Kitchen Clothing Room: Men's Jeans (32, 34, & 36 long), Women's Jeans (8, 10, 12, and 14), men's and ladies new underwear, men's white socks, hygiene kits, sweatshirts, and jackets. For those of you who have already donated, THANK YOU! A sign will be posted at each month's coffee where you can leave your donations if you want to bring them with you at that time. If not, please call either Leslie Eckert (843-236-8770) or Maureen Maki (843-390-5715).

As always, your contributions are voluntary and very much appreciated.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Special Events Committee chairperson is Chris Lenart. If you have any comments or ideas for planned activities or if you would like to sign up for an event, please see Chris at the monthly Coffee. Or, you may call Chris at (843)796-1206 or e-mail at mumzie85@gmail.com. You may also contact Helen Fribrance at (860) 235-9327.

April 25th – High Tea at IYQ Tearoom & Gifts; \$25.00 pp (includes tea sandwiches and scones along with four different types of tea.

May – Date TBD – Brookgreen Gardens. Ron Daise will present a one-hour program on the history, food, and culture of the Gulla Geechie. Then join us for dutch treat in the Pavilion Garden Restaurant for lunch. Cost for members of Brookgreen is \$5.00 plus the meal. If you are not a member of Brookgreen, the cost is \$17.00 plus the meal, which includes daily admission to the Gardens. Minimum of 25 members needed to guarantee price, so e-mail Linda Laplante at hlaplante4@cox.net to sign up today!

MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Dues are \$25.00 per year, payable in September for returning members and payable at time of joining for new members. Membership committee co-chairs are Ruth Ruff at (843) 997-9532 or ruffruff@sc.rr.com and Joyce Farrell at (845)590-1405 or jfarrell53@aol.com. If you know of a member who is no longer living in the area or who does not wish to remain a member, please e-mail Ruth Ruff.

Our New Members for the month of March are: Margaret Harrison (Kentucky), Bonnie Henry (Maryland), Katherine Jasmine (Maine), Anita Karkocha (Ohio), Dolores Lamb (Michigan), Linda McCaskill (South Carolina), Pat Rein (New Jersey), Toni VanOrder (New York), and Victoria VanOrder (New York).

We now have 229 paid members. If you know a member who has not paid, remind them that they must pay in order to participate in member activities.

Directories

New members will receive a copy of our Newcomers Directory in their membership packet. At most of our coffees Susan Rivenburgh will take pictures of new members. Please be sure to have your picture taken. We will be populating the website with the members' pictures and will be generating a directory from the website this year. Please check that your

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information is correct and let Ruth Ruff (Membership Chair) know if any corrections are needed. If you have any comments, corrections or questions, please see M.J. Martin or call her at 843 651-5390.

Please look for our sponsors at the monthly Coffee and tell them you saw their ad in the Newcomer's Newsletter---they would love to do business with you!

Atlantic Stage: Atlantic Stage is a professional theater bringing award-winning comedies and dramas, holiday favorites, and world premieres to the Grand Strand, using local and professional talent. If you are interested in upcoming shows or tickets, contact **Kathryn Zande** at (843) 421-1481.

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