

Newcomers/Longtimers Member Handbook

The purpose of the Club shall be for women to promote and cultivate social relationships, community awareness, and to support designated charities through fund raising in the Lake of the Ozarks area.

Current activity schedules, meeting minutes, newsletters and member application forms are available on our website: www.newcomerslongtimers.com

ABOUT US / A HISTORY

Long before there was the toll bridge, long before there was Porto Cima, long before there was the outlet mall, there was Newcomers/Longtimers.

Newcomers/Longtimers was formed in 1965 by a group of enterprising women. It is both a Lake institution and a tradition. It is a women's volunteer, member-run organization which currently has over 300 members.

Each year N/L supports the community and many of its local charities through scholarships and fund-raising events.

N/L hosts a luncheon that includes programs designed to interest, inform and entertain. N/L promotes new and current friendships with a variety of activities and games -- Bunco, Cards and Games such as Bridge and Canasta, Book Clubs, Happy Hour, Dining Out, Working Women Wednesday and day trips - just to name a few.

Members can attend as many or as few of the activities as they like. Most of the events are ladies only, but men/partners are welcome at some of the get-togethers.

Newcomers/Longtimers is fondly referred to as "the social Club with a heart."

KICKOFF

KICKOFF is an annual activity to jump-start the club's year which runs from June through May. It is normally held in September and previews the year's upcoming activities. Usually a themed event, it is both a homecoming for members after a long, hot summer and a get-acquainted event for new members and potential members – men do not attend this event. Be sure and mark your calendar when you see the announcement of the date!

SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year N/L presents a scholarship to one or more local students. A committee reviews applications and selects scholarship recipients.

Scholarships are funded by the proceeds of fund-raising activities held throughout the year.

Watch for the annual scholarship goal and progress. Status reports are given at the monthly luncheon.

If you wish to donate directly to the scholarship fund, you may send a check (made out to N/L) to the Treasurer.

MONTHLY CHARITIES

At the beginning of each Club year, the Community Awareness Chair selects charities to be awarded donations at the Monthly Luncheon meetings. These charities are approved and supported by the Executive Board. They are published to the membership at the beginning of the Club year.

The monthly charity representative explains the charity and its needs at the Monthly Luncheon where raffle tickets are sold. Other N/L events also sell raffle tickets to support the charity throughout the month. The raffles are split 80/20, 80% to the charity and 20% to the members as prizes.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

PICKLE BALL: Meets on Mondays (September-May) from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM at Community Christian Church in Camdenton (indoor court). \$2.00 fee and a waiver form are required. Ladies only, especially beginners.

HAPPY HOUR: Held on the first Tuesday of each month (4:00 PM - 6:00 PM) at various restaurants June through May. See your EVITE for specific monthly information. Reservations required. Husbands and significant others may attend as well as potential new members. Cash Bar.

CRAFTERNOONERS: Held on the first Wednesday of each month, October through May. See your EVITE for location and any other specific information such as supplies or cost. Reservations are required.

CARDS AND GAMES: Meets on the first Thursday of each month at 10:00 AM (Registration at 9:45 AM, and play begins promptly at 10:00 AM) at the Osage Beach Senior Center. Select from several types of Canasta and Bridge. Lunch is \$5.00 payable directly to the Senior Center. See your EVITE to sign up. Reservations required.

EUCHRE: Meets on the third Wednesday of each month at Willowe's Bar and Grill. Play begins promptly at 5:30 AM. Members may go at 4:30 AM and order from the menu. See your EVITE for specific details and to sign up.

DINING OUT: Held on the second Tuesday of each month, October-May, at various restaurants around the Lake. See your EVITE for cost and menu choices. Cash Bar. Spouses and significant others are welcome.

Reservations and menu choices, as well as pre-payment to N/L, must be made by EVITE deadline. Refunds are not given.

WORKING WOMEN WEDNESDAY: Held on the second Wednesday of each month, October-May, at various restaurants around the Lake. All working women are invited to attend and network. Follow EVITE instructions for time and place and any other pertinent details. Cash Bar and order off the menu.

SINGLE LADIES DINING OUT: Held on the second Thursday of each month, October-May, at various restaurants around the Lake. All single ladies are invited even if they attend the other Dining Outs. Follow EVITE instructions for time and place and any other pertinent details. Cash Bar and order off the menu.

DINERS, DIVES AND DRIVEINS (Brunching and Drunching): Held on the third Sunday of each month, October-May, at various cafes, coffee shops and casual restaurants around the Lake. Spouses and/or significant others are encouraged to attend these casual afternoons, enjoy a Cash Bar and order off the menu. Reservations are required. Follow EVITE instructions for time and place and other appropriate information.

EVERYBODY BUNCO: Held on the third Wednesday evening of each month (September-May). Usually preceded by a light dinner before play begins. Follow EVITE instructions for time and place. Everyone is invited to attend, whether as a couple or a single. Cash Bar and order off the menu. Reservations are required.

LUNCHEON AND BUSINESS MEETING: Held on the third Thursday of each month (October-May) at various venues around the Lake. Meet and Greet at 11:00 AM. Reservations are required and if not cancelled by the

cut-off date **non-refundable**. See EVITE instructions for place, menu, program, and deadline for reservation.

LADIES BUNCO: Held on the fourth Thursday of each month (except November and December) at 11:00 am at the Osage Beach Senior Center. Lunch is \$5 payable directly to the Senior Center. See your EVITE to sign up. Reservations required.

NEW MEMBER LUNCHES: Held for all new members at Baxter's at 12:00 NOON. These luncheons highlight Club activities and provide an opportunity to meet Club officers. It is an opportunity to meet other new members. EMAIL invitations are sent to members, and it is requested that you reply "yes" or "no" as soon as possible. Seating is extremely limited. Cash Bar and order off the menu.

BOOK CLUBS: Membership in each Book Club is limited to 15 members in order to facilitate discussion. Clubs meet at various venues and various times. If you are interested, contact Book Club Chair.

PLEASE NOTE:

All N/L activities are cancelled automatically when School of the Osage or Camdenton school districts are closed due to inclement weather. Activities may be cancelled at the direction of the activity chair for other reasons.

Information in this booklet is meant to be the most current, but should you have questions, we encourage you to contact the appropriate Chair of the activity.

EVITES are the primary method of notifying members of upcoming activities. They are most easily read if you download the EVITE app onto your computer.

It is important that you read the entire EVITE including the host message to ensure you have the important details of the event.

Watch for deadlines and remember to cancel your reservation if you find you are unable to attend.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to opt out of receiving EVITES for a particular event.

If you are not receiving EVITES, contact the Membership Chair to insure your email address is correct.

FLICKR:

Flickr makes it easy to see and share photos from N/L events. You can access the Flickr account at <u>http://www.flickr.com</u>.

Login is <u>Newcomerslongtimerslo@yahoo.com</u>. The password is Newcomers411. On the top left of the page, you will see the word "YOU." Click on the word YOU and a drop-down box will appear. Click "albums" to see all albums and the N/L event photos.

If you have photos from N/L events to share, email them to Nancie.boland@yahoo.com.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY:

A Directory of all members can be found on the N/L website, www.newcomerslongtimers.com. It is privacy protected and for the use of members only. Information contained in the Directory may not be used for solicitation or commercial purposes. Please contact Paula Constantini at (727) 492-5328 for further information.