

Victoria Women's Newcomers Club

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I want to issue a special welcome to the large number of new members and guests who attended our January luncheon. It was so exciting to meet you and to be reminded that Victoria continues to be such a popular destination! If this is your first winter in Victoria, don't be discouraged by the gray and rainy conditions. Spring is just around the corner! All of the spring bulbs are up and the snowdrops have been blooming in many locations. Some of the beautiful pink flowering trees are just starting to show their buds. If you have access to a garden, you will soon be busy. If you are not currently a member of one of our walking groups (including the monthly outing to Butchart Gardens), this is a great time of the year to join us. The weather will just keep getting better.

Last month I highlighted an invitation that we have received from the Victoria Symphony's Conductor's Circle for Saturday, March 5, 2011. We have received permission to open our list up to spouses and/or a friend but this will occur in a limited fashion, as we cannot exceed the maximum attendance number. If you have already signed up, you will receive an updating email. If you haven't signed up as yet, please let me know immediately so that I can add your name to the list before extending an invitation to others.

If you missed our last luncheon, be sure to check on the range of activities available. New groups are continuing to be formed every month. As always, if you have an idea for a new activity, please connect with our Activity Coordinators, Pam Thompson and Agnes Amundrud.

February does continue to have some gray and rainy days so please stay connected to as many activity groups as possible.

Take care,

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Inquiring Minds Want to Know...

Why is our membership list not perfectly accurate?

Well, of course, sometimes we make an error. We can also attest to the fact that not every person has completely legible handwriting. (Please don't be shocked. I am certainly not referring to you!) That being said, we really do need your assistance to keep our membership list accurate. Many of our members start out renting in Victoria and then eventually purchase a home. Others start off in one location, get to know the city better, and then relocate to the perfect spot. If your situation has changed in any way (address, phone number, email address), please forward the changes to Joanne Cape, our Membership chair. If you are unsure about how to reach Joanne, send the information to me (Kathy) and I will forward it on. Thank you in advance for your assistance!

NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

February 16th, 2011 at Cedar Hill Golf Club
1400 Derby Rd @ 11:30 a.m.

To make your reservation email v1newcomersluncheon@gmail.com.
New members and guests always welcome



Speaker for the February Luncheon

Rebecca Kennel - Victoria: Bench by Bench

Rebecca Kennel will be speaking on her book Victoria: Bench by Bench. She will be taking us on her journey of discovery in and around spectacular Victoria. Using pieces of local history and personal reflections, she will introduce us to many benches that will inspire our curiosity.

At our luncheons, if possible, please pay at the door by cheque. The price for the February luncheon is \$22.00 for members, non-members and guests. We are required to provide the facility with the number of lunch attendees on the Monday prior to the luncheon. If you must cancel your reservation please email v1newcomersluncheon@gmail.com by the Saturday before the luncheon. If you fail to cancel by this deadline, please send the Treasurer your \$22.00 cheque to cover the cost of your reservation.

NEWCOMERS NEWS

Luncheon Speaker - January 2011



At the Newcomers January luncheon, **Sherry Lepage** talked about Documentary Film Making.

NEWCOMERS ACTIVITIES for 2010/2011

What a packed year of activities! We have many wonderful groups up and running and more ideas keep coming forth. We have had a suggestion for a golf activity, so if you are a golfer and would like to see a golf group get started, perhaps you would like to consider volunteering to convene the group. As always, you may still sign up for any of the activities that are currently running.

Just a reminder that we have a wonderful event coming up on Saturday March 5th. The Victoria Women's Newcomers Club has been invited to attend a dress rehearsal and social event with the Victoria Symphony Orchestra. The February luncheon will be your last opportunity to sign up for this exciting 'one-time' event. However, if you cannot be at the February luncheon and would like to attend please get in touch with us and we would be happy to give you the details and to put you on the list.

As a newcomer to Victoria you may be interested in the "Be a Tourist in your own Home Town" week, March 2 to 6. You can find details on www.attractionsvictoria.com. Tickets are \$10.50 but if you find others at the Newcomers luncheon who are interested, you can buy four tickets and get one free.

Taking part in our activities is one of the best ways to meet new friends and to keep spirits positive as we move through our mild rainy season and into a welcoming spring of blossoms and wonder. Thanks to everyone for your participation and for making this such a great organization!

Our ongoing activities include:

Afternoon Tea Group
Bridge
Book Club
Butchart Gardens Walk
Coffee Social
Couples Friendly Dinners

Couples Game Night
Couples Pub Night
Dallas Rd Walkers & Social
Ladies Dinner Club
Ladies Pub Night
Mid Day Munchies

Mini Lunch, Restaurant
Movie Afternoon/Evening
Mystery Book Club
Scrabble
The Walkers
Day Tours

Your activity coordinators,

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February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Movie Club 	2 The Walkers 	3 Dallas Road Walking Group  Bridge 	4	5 Couples Friendly Dinners 
6	7 Mid Day Munchies 	8 Mini Lunch Restaurant 	9 The Walkers 	10 Dallas Road Walking Group  Bridge The Mystery Book Club	11 Ladies Dinner Club 	12
13	14 Couples Pub Night 	15	16 Newcomers Lunch 	17 Dallas Road Walking Group Bridge 	18	19 Couples Games Night 
20	21 Butchart Gardens Walk 	22	23 The Walkers Book Club  Coffee Social 	24 Dallas Road Walking Group Bridge Afternoon Tea Group Ladies Pub Night	25	26
27	28 Scrabble 					

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