

Victoria Women's Newcomers Club

Newsletter - JUNE 2011

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Here we are at the completion of another Newcomer year! It has been a busy year and I have personally enjoyed meeting so many new people. Your Executive was delighted that our groups were so active and that we were able to start many new groups throughout the year. We were especially pleased that some of you have indicated an interest in some organizational responsibilities during our 2011-12 year. We are still looking for new conveners for many of our small groups. Please consider taking on the task for one of your favourite small groups (or maybe a group that you are planning to join)! Pam Thompson and Agnes Amundrud will be delighted to sign you on as a convener.

If you made it to the May meeting, you know that we are so pleased to have Jean Gordon, Cheryl Sparks, Sheila Leslie, Agatha Porter and Peggy Todd join the Executive as of July 1st. At the same time, we want to extend our sincere thanks to Andrea Ashton, Bronwyn South, Jeanie Paterson, and Donna Bain as they step down from the Executive. They completed their tasks with complete efficiency, were super Executive members and wonderful friends. I am so glad that I will be able to maintain my connection with them, either through Newcomers or "graduated" small groups.

You are probably aware that we do take a two-month break (July and August) from our regular Newcomer luncheons. Some small groups also take the summer off and others continue in one form or another. We have been collecting names for our Summer Activities list. It is really an email list where all members have the opportunity to share information on summer activities or to seek companions for summer ventures. Rita Dempsey has been researching information on the architectural walking tours that were so popular last year. I have no doubt that others will be sharing ideas for some summer fun. Be sure to stay connected during the summer months.

We have a special barbecue luncheon planned for June 15th as well as a speaker who will provide information on the many activities centered in downtown Victoria this summer. Hope to see you there!

If I miss seeing you at the June luncheon, have a wonderful summer and see you in September!

Take care,

Kathy Schaffer, 778-430-1892, kathyschaffer@shaw.ca

NEWCOMERS LUNCHEON

June 15th, 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 June BBQ

Kenneth Kelly, General Manager - Downtown Victoria Business Association
Topic: Everyone's Downtown

Please join us for a fast-paced power point presentation, "Everyone's Downtown" by the General Manager of the Downtown Victoria Business Association (DVBA), Ken Kelly. Ken is an urban planner who has lived in five of the six regions of Canada and came to Victoria in 2004. He will provide an interesting account - supported by an array of photos - of the challenges faced by all downtowns to remain the economic centre of their communities. He will focus specifically on some of the unique initiatives undertaken by his organization and its many partners to keep Downtown Victoria "everyone's downtown"!

A REMINDER

At our luncheons, if possible, please pay at the door by cheque. The price for the 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

May 2011 Luncheon Speaker



Erika Joubert from the Centre of the Universe

NEWCOMERS ACTIVITIES for 2011

How quickly the year has flown by and what an active year it has been. We were delighted to see how many varied and interesting activities got off the ground this year and the enthusiasm and support with which they were embraced. A special thanks to all those who volunteered to convene the groups. It is through your efforts and willingness to put in the time and energy to run the groups that we had such a successful year.

If you enjoyed participating in the activities this year, we invite you to consider convening one of the groups in the fall. It is always rewarding to become more actively involved in the groups and it's such a great way to make new friends. Without the conveners the groups would not run.

In September we will be starting all the activities anew, to allow new members to join and to prevent the groups from becoming too large. Activity groups that are presently running have the option of breaking off from Newcomers and continuing on their own, independent of Newcomers. This is highly encouraged, so that when your 3 years are up and you are no longer part of a Newcomers organization, you still have activity groups in which to participate. If you have any questions about this please speak to one of our activity coordinators.

The activities will officially come to an end at the end of June. However, a number of members have expressed their desire to continue with various activities over the summer months. If you would like to be a part of the summer activities please put your name on the "Summer Activities" list which will be available at the June luncheon. If you will not be at this month's luncheon, but would like to be included on the list, please contact Pam or Agnes, and ask them to add your name to the list. To participate in, or host a summer activity, you then merely contact the people on the list and invite interested members to join you.

Our ongoing activities include:

Afternoon Tea Group	Couples Game Night	Mini Lunch, Restaurant
Bridge	Couples Pub Night	Movie Afternoon/Evening
Book Club	Dallas Rd Walkers & Social	Mystery Book Club
Butchart Gardens Walk	Ladies Dinner Club	Scrabble
Coffee Social	Ladies Pub Night	The Walkers
Couples Friendly Dinners	Mid Day Munchies	Day Tours

Wishing you a wonderful summer, filled with exciting activities! See you in September.

Your activity coordinators,

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June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 The Walkers 	2 Dallas Road Walking Group  Bridge 	3	4 Couples Friendly Dinners 
5	6 Mid Day Munchies 	7 Dallas Road Walking Group  Movie Club 	8 The Walkers 	9 Dallas Road Walking Group Bridge The Mystery Book Club 	10 Ladies Dinner Club 	11
12	13 Couples Pub Night 	14 Dallas Road Walking Group Mini Lunch Restaurant 	15 Newcomers Lunch 	16 Dallas Road Walking Group  Bridge 	17	18 Couples Games Night 
19	20 Butchart Gardens Walk 	21 Dallas Road Walking Group 	22 The Walkers  Coffee Social 	23 Dallas Road Walking Group Bridge Afternoon Tea Group Ladies Pub Night	24	25
26	27 Scrabble 	28 Dallas Road Walking Group 	29 The Walkers  Book Club 	30 Dallas Road Walking Group  Bridge 		

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