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A Newsletter for Signal Mountain Newcomers

CO-DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Thank you to Beth Baker, who coordinated our Newcomer's Auction at our April meeting! We were pleasantly surprised with the outcome, and it was lots of fun as well. The Signal Mountain Guild's Dogwood Luncheon and Fashion Show would not have been a hit without the dancing and singing abilities of Newcomer's models Beth Baker, Embree Poole, Cynthia Lindsey, Karen Bennett, and Courtney Armstrong. (We'll let you know if we take it on the road!) We are at the end of our 2003-2004 Newcomer Year with May being our last meeting. I can't believe how fast it's gone by! I have enjoyed being your Director, but it's time to pass the torch on to a new Board of Directors. Thank you to those of you who have already filled out your 2004-2005 Board Position Form. Looking over them, the following positions are still available: Bunco, Clothes House, Family Night and Charitable Donations/Auction. Look for your form in the mail. Please contact me if you are interested in one of those positions, or if you have an idea for a new position. We will vote on the new Board at the May meeting. We will also be voting on the Newcomer of the Year. See you then!

Co-Director, Courtney Armstrong
517-8751



Hopeful bidders: Cheryl Roberson, Keren Bennett, Cynthia Lindsey, Shana Masengill, Deena Pave and Leslie Briggs at the Silent Auction.

And the item goes to...

Our ninth annual auction to benefit a local charity was a great success!! Many members pitched in to make food, donate items, and purchase items. We were able to raise a total of \$750.00 to benefit the new Signal Mountain Community Built Park (behind the Country Club). We will purchase a CD and save this money until the committee is ready to use our donation to purchase landscaping, benches, or a small piece of equipment! A big thank you to everyone that donated items to sell: Kathyne Barrow, Edie Marie Rattner, Cheryl Roberson, Courtney Armstrong, Cynthia Lindsey (The Chattanooga) Diana Simpson, Libby Haigler, Lynn Baker, Karen Bennett, Laura Reynolds, Kathy Dudley, Shana Masengill, Joetta Everett, Aimee Zukowski and Sherry Kast. Also a big Thank You to Karen Bennett and the refreshment committee: Anne Gilmour, Marcie Hansen, Laura Reynolds, Beth Baker, Leslie Briggs, Michelle Muschel, Carrie Jones, Lynn Marks, Shana Masengill, Aimee Zukowski, Kathyne Barrow, Shannon Farr, Lori Baier, Cheryl Roberson and The Bread Basket.

Bulletin "Board" ...

bingo "B-8!" Join us and help the residents of The Alexian Alzheimer's Center play bingo! They especially love to see the little ones, so all children are welcome. Bingo is held the 4th Monday of every month from 10:30am-11:30am at 1164 Mountain Creek Road. For more information, contact Kathyne Barrow at 886-6169.

bunco Please mark your calendar for July 13th -- we're playing bunco at Shana Masengill's home. Look for more information in the next couple of months.

couples night out There's a Progressive Dinner scheduled for June 12th, so mark your calendar now. Details will be coming your way in the very near future.

the clothes house Newcomers are volunteering again this year to assist the Signal Mountain Welfare Council by hanging clothes at The Clothes House. On the Wednesday before the fourth Saturday of each month, four or more volunteers will be needed to help handle donated clothing. The next scheduled day is Wednesday, May 19th at 9:00a.m. The Clothes House is located between Signal Mountain Boulevard and Mississippi Avenue. A babysitting co-op is available for children under five. Come give an hour or two to this local charity who helps so many residents on our mountain. For more information, or to volunteer your services, please call Beth Lancaster at 886-7163.

family day out The Family Night/Day activity for May will be a picnic at Coolidge Park. We'll meet at the carousel on Saturday, May 15th at 4:00 p.m. and go from there. Newcomers will supply the hot dogs, buns, and condiments. You supply your drinks, chips, etc. Be sure to bring swimsuits for the kids so they can play in the fountain. The carousel will be open for rides as well. Please RSVP to Lynn Marks at 517-0448 by noon on the 14th so we know how much food to buy. *[If it rains, we'll meet on Sunday, May 16th - same place and time.]*

guys' night out If your husband would like to get involved with the men of Newcomers, please e-mail Craig Baker at cbaker@riverassociatesllc.com or call 886-3119 for more information.

hospitality Please call on hospitality to arrange meals for you if you are in need. Whether you have given birth, had surgery, have had a death in the family, etc. just call, and your family will get fed. Please call Kathy Dudley at 886-6740.

ladies' night out Please join us for Ladies Night Out on Thursday, May 20th at 7:30 p.m. Mary Smith will be the hostess this month and she lives at 612 Texas Avenue. Please call Mary at 886-4023 to RSVP and see what you can bring.

membership If you know of anyone that would like to be placed on our mailing list please call 886-3119 or e-mail w.c.baker@worldnet.att.net.

Please welcome our newest Signal Mountain Newcomers, and add their names and information to the back of your directory.

Linda Dorrill (Dan)
603 Windy Way
886-9166
Maria 3/00

Louise Daniel (Jeff)
128 Norvell Drive
886-9063
Collin 11/94, Bryce 2/00,
Cooper 5/01

Beth Lancaster
New Phone Number:
886-7163

...what your newcomers' board members are up to!

m.o.p.s. That's Mothers of Preschoolers Group! The next m.o.p.s. meeting will be held on Friday, May 7th from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Woodward Fellowship Hall at Signal Mountain Presbyterian Church, 612 James Boulevard. Childcare is provided. Our topic will be "Things To Do With Your Preschooler This Summer" Feel free to invite friends! Your first meeting is free! The cost for each monthly meeting is \$7. For questions, please call Kim Callaway at 886-9996.

playgroup Playgroup meets on Mondays from 10:45-12:45 at the Pumpkin Patch*. A lot of moms bring a picnic lunch for their kids. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Micus @ 886-1354. * If anyone would like to host an outdoor playgroup at their house, please let me know.

schedule Monday, May 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th – Pumpkin Patch ▶ There will be no Playgroup on May 31st, Memorial Day.

In case of inclement weather there will not be any designated meeting spot. However, a lot of moms like to go to McDonalds. It's up to your own discretion whether it's too wet to play outside.

publicity Let's Be Sure to Brag! We want to make sure that we share interesting tid-bits and photos about Newcomers with the local newspapers. If you have some newsy ideas, events, or photos that you would like published, just let me know. I will be happy to distribute them to the Signal Mountain Post, the *Signal Mountain Mirror*, and others when appropriate. Examples of past write-ups discuss Newcomer of the Year, the Christmas Party, the Auction, and other gatherings. Publicity articles like these are one of the most effective ways to reach prospective members. And after all, who doesn't like to brag every now and then. Give me a call -- Anne Gilmour at 517-0038 or email: dwgilmour@comcast.net.

scrapbooking Come join us to have fun working on your scrapbooks! The scrapbooking group meets twice a month at the Signal Mountain Library from 6:30 until 11:00 p.m. The group is free. Mark your calendars for the following dates for our upcoming crops: May 3rd, May 24th, June 14th, June 28th, July 12th, July 26th, August 9th, and August 23rd. Bring your scrapbook materials, or any project you are working on, to enjoy uninterrupted time to work. Please bring your own refreshments. Call Kim Callaway at 886-9996 to RSVP.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!

Lizetta Paturalski, spoke to the group about the upcoming election on May 18 regarding the building of the proposed High School/Middle School on Signal Mountain. Lizetta said petitions were available to sign that would show support from Signal Mountain, Walden and the unincorporated areas of Signal Mountain. These petitions note that the community of Signal Mountain shows its support of the usage of our tax dollars to build this school, with a target completion date of August 2006. These petitions will be presented at various meetings to show our support. A questions and answer session was held. Yard signs are also available to show your support. If you have any questions about the High School, feel free to visit their website at www.friends@signalmountainhighschool.com or call Lizetta at 886-7648.



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a reminder...

- ▶ ...the next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 18th @ 10am @ the Walden Town Hall
- ▶ ...“Ladies’ Lunch Out” will meet immediately following ~~the meeting~~ *[babysitting will be provided -- see inside for more details]*

a big thank you!

- ▶ thank you to the Bread Basket for the yummy snacks they provide at our monthly meetings
- ▶ thank you to Walden Town Hall for allowing us to hold our meeting in their beautiful facility
- ▶ thank you to The Secret Garden for their monthly fruit & vegetable basket



**DON'T FORGET TO
VOTE ON MAY 18th FOR
OUR SIGNAL MOUNTAIN
HIGH SCHOOL AT
TOWN HALL!**