



GEORGETOWN NEWCOMERS AND FRIENDS

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From the Co-Presidents

Welcome fellow members. We are honored to be your Co-Presidents for this 49th year of Georgetown Newcomers & Friends. Our motto this year is: “**Honoring Our Past and Securing Our Future.**” We hope that this theme will remind us of our rich heritage and its many contributors and also inspire us as we continue forward. Our board has been working steadily throughout the summer organizing and planning some special events for the coming year. We promise you will not be disappointed. To start off, our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 1st, 10:00 a.m., at the Georgetown Public Library in the Hewlett Room upstairs. We look forward to seeing you there. We always welcome any ideas and suggestions that will continue to make this a great organization.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2022-23, it is time to do that. You can pay dues on-line, by mail or at a meeting. Remember that your dues must be current in order to participate in Special Interest Groups (SIGs).

Sincerely,

Diane Habas & MaryAnn Sossamon
Co-Presidents

Georgetown Newcomers and Friends





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Diane Habas



Donna Hood



Ruby Branham



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Kathy Stevens



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Susan Harmon



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2022 - 2023 Board Officers

The new 2022-2023 Georgetown Newcomers and Friends Board is listed below. They were voted in during the April 7th, 2022 meeting at the Georgetown Library by members in attendance and were installed at the May 12th meeting.

Executive Committee

Co-Presidents

MaryAnn Sossamon and

Diane Habas

1st Co-Vice Presidents

Donna Hood and

Ruby Branham

Membership

Debbie Krenak and

Kathy Stevens

Secretary

Patti Groce

Treasurer

Carolyn Shaver

Communications/Website

Susan Harmon

Programs

Peggy Sklar and

Joyce Gunderson

Publicity

Mary Jo Doggett

Special Interest Groups

Barbara Hansen

Coffee & Conversation

Judy Kelley

Non-Board Positions

Newsletter

Position Open

Day Trips

Mary Dunn and Ann Mayberry



Joyce Gunderson



Judy Kelly



Peggy Sklyar



Mary Jo Doggett

Georgetown Newcomers and Friends General Meeting

September 1, 2022, 10:00 am

Georgetown Library, 2nd Floor in the Hewlett Room

402 W 8th Street, Georgetown, TX

Please join us at the Georgetown Public Library on Thursday, September 1st. The September Georgetown Newcomers and Friends program will be a presentation by Cindy Weigand, the organizer of the Georgetown GTX film festival. The date for the 2022 Festival will be October 1st at City Lights on Wolf Ranch Parkway. This year the GTX will feature nine categories with one being for film makers 17 years old and younger. A kick off event will be held on the night before to get the festivities rolling. Cindy will give us all the details of the events. Hope to see you at the presentation of an unusual Georgetown event.

Drinks will be provided by The Little Lemon at the Library

Membership forms will be available at the meeting.

Mark your Calendars

September 29, 2022 - Coffee and Conversation - Our first Coffee & Conversation will take place on:

Monday, September 29th, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

At the home of Mary Lou Percy

509 Kristina Drive

Sierra Vista neighborhood.

Georgetown, TX All donations will go to the Williamson County Animal Shelter.

October 6, 2022 - General Membership Meeting in the Georgetown Library, 2nd Floor, Hewlett Room.

November 3, 2022 - General Membership Meeting in the Georgetown Library, 2nd Floor, Hewlett Room.

Volunteers Needed

Georgetown Newcomers and Friends has a couple of opportunities that we'd love for you to consider.

First, we need a Newsletter Editor. This is not a board position but the editor normally attends board meetings to know about upcoming events and to solicit information for the newsletter. Currently, the newsletter is created in Publisher, the editor is given the information to include, and it is emailed 10-14 days before the general meeting on the first Thursday of the month, September – May. Carol Elsasser has done this job for most of the last 2 years and she can help you get started by emailing to carol.elsasser@gmail.com.

Secondly, we need a Hospitality Chairperson. "The By-Laws say in Article VII, Section 6 that this person shall be in charge of facility room set up for general meetings, and may assist the Program Committee with any planned luncheons or events." We have planned for most meetings to be at the Georgetown Public Library so the meeting room will already be set up. "Hospitality Chair" is also responsible for securing the drinks provided at general meetings. "This is a board position and those meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 9:00."

Please share your talents with us and volunteer for one of these positions. "Taking a leadership role is a great way to meet people and get even more from this organization." Thanks in advance for thinking about one of these positions—or getting a friend involved and doing it together!

Follow us on Social Media

Follow Us on Facebook!

We have a Facebook page, for our members only. If you are interested in joining, go onto your personal Facebook account and search for Georgetown Newcomers and Friends and request to be added to our private group.

Name Tags

If you would like to have a name tag to wear to our meetings and other functions. Forms available on our website. [Click Here](#) Price is \$10



Membership Applications

Available NOW at www.georgetownnewcomers.com

Don't Forget to renew your Membership

Annual membership dues are \$25 and shall include any adult residing at the same address. You can join online at our website using your credit card or PayPal. Just [Click Here](#) and read and follow the simple directions. Membership renewal information must be completed by **October 15th**, in order to be included in the printed directory (should you mark that option on your membership form). But is never too late to join. You will always be included in the online directory that is updated constantly.

Alternatively, you can print off the membership form that is posted on our website and then mail it with your check to:

Georgetown Newcomers and Friends
1530 Sun City Blvd, Suite 120, PMB 427
Georgetown, TX 78633

Forms will be available at the September 1st meeting.

A reminder to all renewing members that a NEW membership form/waiver must be completed every year. A check or PayPal payment is not enough.

If you have any problems getting access to the online directory, fill out a "Contact Us" inquiry on the website. You cannot be in any SIGs without having your dues current.

Thank you,
Membership

Special Interest Groups (SIGs)

Barbara Hansen, Coordinator,

NewcomersSIGCoordinator@gmail.com

You must be a current member of Georgetown Newcomers and Friends in order to participate in our SIGs, either as a regular or a substitute.

“Special Interest Groups (SIGs)” are a big part of our Organization.

This is where we meet or extend our friendships.

Some SIGs have been around for decades.

Some have come & gone.

Ebbs & flows in life are natural so we are always looking for new Leads to take over or start new groups.

What is your interest? Looking to go to the plays with some folks. Maybe a Diamonds & Dinner Group. Dress a little nicer than usual, wear your jewelry & have a good meal with fun conversation. Do you play games (Bunco, Mexican Train, Farkle, Bridge, Catan, Battleship...). Like to lunch or day trip? Maybe a Ladies that Lunch or Brunch SIG. Happy Hour Hunters. Do you craft? I need a new fall wreath for my front door. Maybe you like to knit/ needlepoint while chatting. How about a Guys Brunch SIG or just go hit a bucket of golf balls with no judgement.



Let's talk & we can help you get a SIG started.

We are here for you in regards to all things SIG. Maybe you want to get on a sub list and be asked to sub once in a while (needs are high in the summer). You never know where or when you may meet your next best friend.



Please reach out to newcomerssigcoordinator@gmail.com or complete the SIG Request form at <https://www.georgetownnewcomers.com/sigform.html>

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*Barbara
SIG Coordinator
Georgetown Newcomers and Friends*

Wander Walkers



Join a walking SIG that has been around for 15 years.

Wander Walkers
meets Monday & Wednesday's
from 9-10am starting September.

The Lead, Judy, sends out the meeting spot 2 months at a time.
Any questions can be directed to her @ 512-869-7327
Make sure you complete a SIG Request form should you join.

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Fall 2022
Beginner Mahjongg classes

We need your commitment
to come 4 weeks in a row

MaryAnn Sossamon
has offered to
teach 8 people
Wednesday's 1-3:00
September 28, October 3, 10 & 17
OR

Lynne Moran
is available for 4 people
Thursday 1-3:00
September 8, 15, 22 & 29

Email NewcomersSIGCoordinator@gmail.com



New Members

A **BIG** welcome to our newest members. There are many activities for you to get involved in to meet new friends. Take advantage by attending our functions and joining available SIGs.

Mary Allen, Patricia Green, Lisa Heisel, LaNell Hill, Donna Holt, Marilyn Kounnas, Rusty Langford, Linda Mulroy, Susan Patterson, Jeanne Udall, Joan Vogel, Linda Walke and Wende Yellin

Happy September Birthdays !!



3 Andrea Karjack

4 Judy Murphy

4 Shirley Walker

6 Judy Shelton

6 Janice Wallace

8 Linda Terry

9 Diane Hill

13 Carol Bachelder

14 Judy Higgins

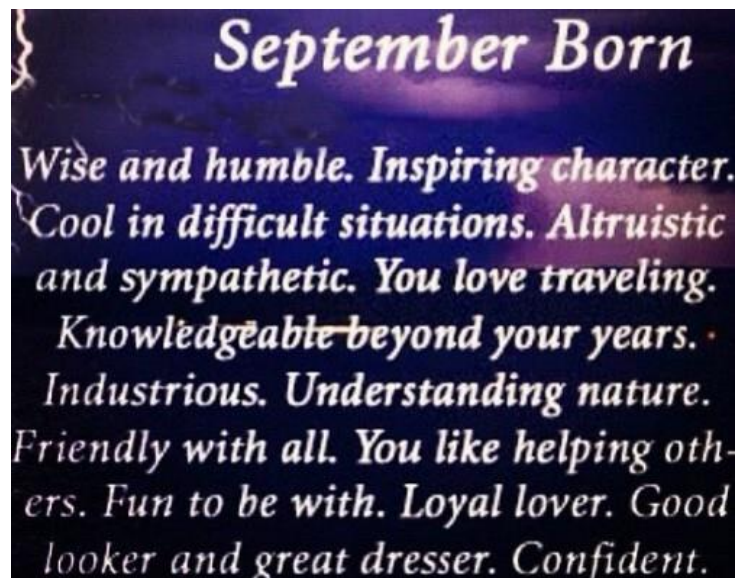
16 Belinda Sikorski

23 Susan Streeter

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27 Allison Wolfe

29 Elaine Doyle



Summer was a fun time for SIGs

Bunco



COSMO Girls



Men's Poker



Mahjong



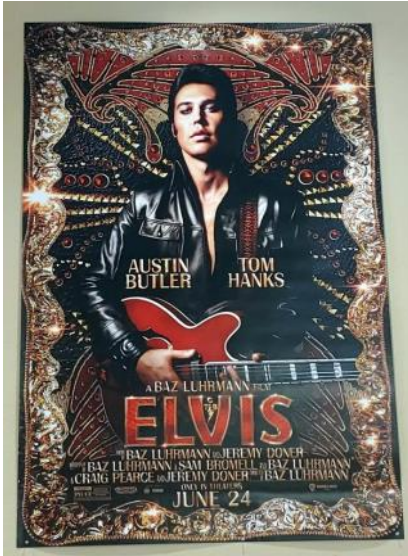
The Dinner Group



Cellar Dwellers



Reel Women



Tuesday Out To Lunch



Walk and Talk



Surprise Walker