

The NEWCOMER

Lake Barcroft Newcomers' Club Newsletter



January, 2004

January 18th
February

Chili Cookoff
TBD

2:00 PM

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Date: Sunday, January 18th
Time: 2:00 P.M.
Cost: \$5 per member and \$8 for non-members
Exception: one free pass per Chili entrée!
Place: Home of Corri Goldman and Mike Spivey
6301 Crosswoods Circle
Bring: Corn bread, chips *and* dip, or dessert-- or, of course, chili
RSVP: lbnewcomers@yahoo.com or call Paul Imse at 256-9506

Don't forget! The Newcomers' Chili Cookoff is this Sunday. The invitation is out to all the best chili chefs on the Lake to bring their masterpieces to stand up to the competition. Prizes will be awarded in a number of categories -- starting with BEST CHILI. In addition to sampling all the wonderful contestants, the NFL Conference Championships will be on large screen TV. In addition to all of the wonderful food and good company, we will be discussing the Newcomers' schedule for the coming year. We hope you can be there to help us plan for another great year of Newcomers' activities. See you there!

Event Wrap-Up

Holiday Gift Exchange

As usual, the gifts ran the gamut from the good stuff to white elephants to demonstrations of either marvelous or twisted humor to items that left people shaking their heads. The evening's early thefts -- and retirees -- included a mariner nutcracker ready to pilot his party barge around the lake, a pair of talking Sesame Street dolls, an Afghan tea cozy (which Paul Imse first tried on as a hat when he opened the box), and a hand carved duck decoy. Then there was the blue plush, singing, dancing shark that Gerry Hartman could not convince anyone to steal from him, and the trophy that Gary McManus attempted to leave in the Davidson's bedroom closet.

The trials and tribulations suffered by Denise Patton-Pace served as the highlight of the evening. She had her gifts stolen eight times! She had the misfortune to either steal or select from the still-wrapped presents something that someone else wanted enough to steal from her, rather than select from the other wrapped gifts.

As the evening progressed, Denise's loss of a gift would precipitate howls of laughter and desperate efforts to "sell" their dubious treasures to her. "When I got the boxer shorts, I

thought that would be the end of it. But nooooo ...," said Patton-Pace.

As the evening came to an end with everyone sharing good wishes and laughter, there was instant speculation as to which presents they would see make a return appearance next year. Just one more reason to look forward to coming to the gift exchange next year.



Hosts Seth and Diane Davidson take time out to smile for Ed Schwarz's lens.

Community Listserve

If you'd like to subscribe to the Lake Barcroft listserv, go to <http://www.lakebarcroft.org/as/lakelink.shtml> where you may participate with the click of a mouse. The listserv is a great way to obtain information from your fellow neighbors on contractors, home repairs, crime reports, pest problems, etc. Sign up today!

Newest Newcomers

Welcome to our newest newcomers.

Jeffrey Chisholm	3709 Tollgate Terrace
Henk and Michele Boute	6412 Crosswoods Dr.
Scott and Patti Miller	3600 Whispering Lane
Todd and Samira West	6213 Waterway Dr.

E-mail Newsletter

Reminder: If you need to add or update your email address, please notify us at lbnewcomers@yahoo.com. We much prefer to distribute the newsletter by e-mail, so please let us know if you have an e-mail address.

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**Lake Barcroft Newcomers' Club
Membership Form**

Names of Household Members:

Street Address _____

Falls Church, VA Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Is this a new membership? Yes No

New Member Move-in Date: _____

***Membership dues for fiscal year 2003 are \$15 per household. Please renew your family membership by Oct. 1, 2002.

**Please send your Membership Form to Christy Herz,
6528 Jay Miller Drive, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.
Make checks payable to LB Newcomers.**