

# NEWCOMERS' CLUB

2026



The goal of this organization shall be to extend to newcomers of Greater Columbia assistance in beginning a social life in a new community and promoting interest in Greater Columbia and its civic and cultural affairs. Serving the Greater Columbia Area -- [www.newcomersofgreatercolumbia.com](http://www.newcomersofgreatercolumbia.com)

## PRESIDENTS' CORNER

Here we are ready for May to begin. Crazy! This is a special month of the year with many celebrations for moms and grads. I hope you all enjoy whatever celebrations happen in your life.

We will celebrate spring with our **Spring Social** at the very end of April. Make sure you have RSVPd to Kari to join us at **Gather Cola on Wednesday, April 29, 6:00-8:00PM**. Remember a plus one is invited also. See flyer on page 7 of this newsletter for all the details. It will be a fun night together!

We had a **record number of membership renewals this year**, but we still see a decrease in participation in many of our interest groups. **Make sure to take advantage of all the wonderful opportunities available to us in Newcomers.**

**Ladies Night Out** is always a fun dinner out with the ladies. It is usually at a restaurant in downtown so it is central to all areas of greater Columbia. With the longer hours of daylight, you can usually avoid having to drive in the dark this time of year.

Our **luncheons** have been going well this year. Thank you to Cara for finding some awesome speakers! Don't forget about the **discount if you invite a friend**, non-member guests and the member hostess only pay \$20 per meal. Also, take advantage of **Venmo** as a payment option. It is quick and easy! We have started **collecting items for a charity at each luncheon**. This collection is in addition to the monetary donations we collect for our elected charity, Midlands Orphan Relief (MOR). Remember all donations are voluntary, so don't feel like we are making you give money and items every month, you do what you are comfortable with. In April and May we are collecting items for Pawmetto Life at each luncheon, let's help those precious animals!

We are always open to suggestions and solutions. We welcome your input.

Your 2026 Co-Presidents

*Kari & Jenny*

