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Changes in SIC Membership

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Hello,

As you all know we made some changes to the membership dues this year and went from family membership to individual memberships. However, we only shared a brief explanation of the rationale behind the change at that time. Recently we got inquiries from couple of families seeking more information on why the membership model and dues were changed. So we thought we should provide more insight in case more folks are wondering about it.

1. Why did we change from family membership to individual membership?

The cost of hosting an event is directly proportional to the head count. Therefore it seems fair to have per person memberships so that smaller families and individuals are not disproportionately burdened.

2. Why have the membership dues gone up?

Not knowing how much we would be able to do in the first year, we chose to be ultra conservative with collecting money last year. In spite of that we were able to host 3 successful events. However, organizing these events on a tiny budget was challenging and stressful for the organizers. This year we want to be able to provide more resources and logistical support to participants, volunteers and also have a bigger budget for food.

3. Why are membership dues and event passes rolled into a single payment?

To make it less cumbersome for the SIC treasurer to keep accounts as well as for members by not having them pay multiple times through the year.

Feel free to let us know if you need any other information.

Regards,
SIC Management