



Newcomers & Neighbors Club
March, 2014 Newsletter

Happy Winter, Newcomers and Neighbors,



I hope all have finished digging out from the many snowfalls of the past months. We continue to envy our Snowbird friends. The February meeting on Beach Profiling was very interesting.



Anyone who might be interested in helping on either beach profiling or water quality measurement, should contact our speaker, Josh Aman, at jacobaman@wellsnerr.org It is a lot of fun!

Our next meeting is the annual pot luck dinner, at the Community House, on March 6 at 6:30 PM. If you haven't up yet, please contact [Donna Murphy](#). It is always a great time with a delicious assortment of food.



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The Nominating Committee is busy filling posts for next year, and needs your support. Please contact Alice Ferran, Doug Fraser, Frances Colantonio, Liz Walsh, Brenda Loucks, Neil Collins or me, so that we can know how you would like to help the club in 2014-2015.

Happy snow digging! See you on the sixth.

[Tom Boak](#)

Club President

NEXT MEETING ANNUAL POT LUCK MARCH 6TH



Our annual pot luck dinner will be held Community House in Kennebunkport, same hall as our regular meeting. hour begins at **5:30** pm with dinner at 6



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This is a BYOB dinner. Coffee, tea and water will provided. If you have not done so already, please sign up to bring a dish/Entrée or a Side Dish/Salad or Dessert by emailing dmurphy775@gmail.com.



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All food must be ready to serve (cooked, sliced if necessary and with serving utensils and serving dishes) we have access to ovens to keep the entrees warm if needed.

Volunteers to setup that afternoon as well as clean up that evening are always welcome.

MONTHLY GET-TOGETHERS

 <p>Couples' Bridge^t Mar. 2nd</p>	<p>March 2, Sunday, is the date for the next Couples' Bridge meeting. We will convene at the home of Maxine and Tib Thibodeau at 7 pm. Please call (967.4236) or email (maxine.thibodeau@gmail.com) Maxine if you would like to play. Players of all levels are welcome. FMI contact Carolyn Kershaw (cgkershaw@gmail.com).</p>
 <p>Brown Baggers Book Group, Mar. 3rd</p>	<p>The brown baggers book group will meet on March 3 at 12:30 pm. We will be reading <u>The Price of Politics</u> by Bob Woodward. For more information, call Susan Boak.</p>
 <p>Breakfast Group Mar. 11th</p>	<p>Our March Breakfast is on March 11th at 9:30 at the 1802 House on Locke St., off North Street, in Kennebunkport. It is just past the fire station. The innkeepers serve us a wonderful breakfast; it is limited to 14 people. RSVP Annette at 967-3353 or ambq6@yahoo.com</p>

 Performance Group Mar. 19th	Wednesday, March 19, 2014 - The Irish Rovers 50th Anniverary Farewell Tour-Jonathan's Ogunquit For more than four decades, THE IRISH ROVERS have charmed and entertained audiences around the world with their exciting stage shows. "Throughout the years, these international ambassadors of Irish music have maintained their timeless ability to deliver a rollicking, rousing performance of good cheer- one that will soon have you singing and clapping along. Their songs have become anthems of revelry and joy among generation after generation of fans."-Belfast Telegraph. Several members will be going to this concert and having dinner beforehand. If you wish to attend, please contact Jonathan's directly at the website above, or call (207)646-4777. Tom Boak and Pat Briggs are organizing this for the club.
 The Men's Lunch Bunch Mar. 18th	The Newcomer's Men's Lunch Bunch will meet on Tuesday, March, 18, 2014 ^t at 12:00 noon at Duffy's Tavern and Grill in downtown Kennebunk. No reservations are required. Please call George Acker, our interlocutor at 967-1085 or ackerg@zwi.net with any questions
 LADIES' LUNCH /Gad/About, Mar. 20th	What better way to spice up the first day of spring, and celebrate the vernal equinox, than to savor far eastern delicacies on Thursday, March 20 at The Jewel of India, 26 Alfred Street in Biddeford (not Bollywood). It is conveniently located directly across the street from the intriguing Angelrox boutique, where we can use 'spring fever' as an excuse to carelessly fritter away our money on new vestments. Carpool from Garden Street parking lot off Main St. in Kennebunk at 11 a.m. Please rsvp to Brenda Loucks at bcloucks@hotmail.com if you will be joining us.
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 Bridge Group	Meet every Wednesday from 1pm to 3 pm in the back room at Duffy's Irish Bar on route 1 in Kennebunk. Friendly games of bridge for women and men seeking to improve their game by playing regularly. Pat Briggs is the coordinator at 967- 3180 or pandamb@roadrunner.com .
 TGFuN Feb. 28 th	The Feb TGFuN will be at Federal Jack's on Feb. 28 at 5PM. They do not take reservations, but we will try to take over a section of the back room.

NEWCOMERS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

These are the additional ones in place at this time; we are always anxious to start new ones. With new ideas or for more info, contact Tom Boak.

****New group coordinators are needed for some activities.**

****Sign-ups do not carry from year to year, and are open to all paid Club members.**

Signup sheets for these groups will only be at the first one or two meetings of each fall; thereafter contact the group leader to join. Since some groups continue to meet in the summer, we are listing all currently organized.



The **Breakfast Group** has been having a group of Newcomers&Neighbors share breakfasts on the second Tuesday of the month (Sep-Nov, Feb-June). The attendance has dwindled for the last few years and we are discussing whether to continue or reduce the frequency. For the last few years Annette Bowler has done a great job of finding delicious breakfast venues but she is retiring from the lead role after the June breakfast. The breakfasts are always fun, so if someone wants to step up and head the group for 2014-15, the time is now.



The Gourmet Group - Shared meals are planned and prepared around a theme. Those interested should contact Marina Foster, marinafoster30005@yahoo.com, or 404-433-9252.



“Scott Sargent” Poker Knights— Herb Cohen (967-8374 or hcohen@perfcon.com); 1st Tues.

Movie Group – Bill Shubert at

wags2@roadrunner.com or 967-2275. Group meets on the third Sunday of the Month to go to a movie and dinner.

Scrabble— Jeannine Roy at

roybaconjm@gmail.com or 232-0459. New players of all levels are welcome. Group meets once a month on Mondays at 7 pm at members' homes.

Habitat for Humanity: Contact [Doug Fraser](mailto:Doug.Fraser@habitatforhumanity.org) if you have questions, or just visit the [Habitat ReStore](http://HabitatReStore.com) in Kennebunk..

It's Dine Around Time Again!

This year's Dine Around is scheduled for April 26 or 27. This option to dine on a Saturday or Sunday allows all interested hosts flexibility in planning. Whatever the size of your dining table, please consider hosting your Neighbors and Newcomers by signing up at the meeting on April 3rd. OR sign up to be a guest. Hosts plan the menu and provide the main dish while guests help round out the rest of the menu. Sign-ups at both the March and April meetings. Any questions, please contact Liz Walsh at ewalsh46@roadrunner.com.

The Newsletter looks for all announcements and news items by the 12th of each month, for distribution by the 17th of the month. Please think of sharing word of local outings you have enjoyed, travel tips, personal news of general interest, etc. We are a social club and do not publicize commercial or political news, however. And we can't supplant the local media coverage of events if there is no direct Member involvement.

If you have time-sensitive news for all Club members, contact me anytime as a special email could be possible. revjima@yahoo.com or 985-8823. This is your newsletter!

NOTE: If you know of a club member sick or hospitalized, please let Elsa van Bergen know so she can send a card. (evanbergen@maine.rr.com. or 207-885-9363.

MEMBER NEWS

Pam Littell and Ralph Berube recently attended the MS National Leadership Conference in Denver, Colorado, where Pam proudly represented the State of Maine as one of the top individual Walk MS



fundraisers in the country. In honor of her daughter, Amy, who has been living with multiple sclerosis

for 26 years, Pam has to date raised over \$230,000. for the National MS Society, and is pushing for a quarter million in the near future. Ralph and Pam attended workshops, lectures from the leading researchers and MS specialists in the country, and even raised a few hundred dollars more by selling her little MS stuffed animals at the conference! After the convention, they took off to



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Colorado Springs, where they ascended Pike’s Peak by cog railway and visited the beautiful Garden of the Gods, a wonderland of winding trails and red rock formations. Pam wishes to express her gratitude to her friends in Newcomers Club for their steady support, as she tries her best to help find a cure for MS.



The Club Board celebrated Amine Ali-Hassan’s Birthday at their January meeting.

Happy Birthday Amine!

CLUB CALENDAR

Feb 28th	5 PM	TGFun
Mar. 2st	7 PM	Couples' Bridge*
Mar. 3rd	12:30 PM	Brown Baggers Book Group*
Mar. 5th	1 PM	Bridge Group
Mar. 6th	5:30 PM	Pot Luck Supper*
Mar. 11th	9:30 AM	Breakfast Group*
Mar. 12th	1 PM	Bridge Group
Mar. 19th	7 PM	Performance Group*
Mar. 16th	TBD	Movie Group
Mar. 17th	7 PM	Scrabble Group
Mar. 18th	Noon	Men's Lunch
Mar. 19th	1 PM	Bridge Group
Mar. 20th	11 AM	Ladies' Lunch/Gadabout*
Mar. 26th	1 PM	Bridge Group
Mar. 28th	5 PM	TGFuN

*Reservation Required

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The following was served at January's Scrabble session by Carolyn Kershaw.

ORANGE CAKE

- 1 (18.25 ounce) package yellow cake mix
- 1 (3 ounce) package instant lemon pudding mix
- 3/4 cup orange juice (fresh squeezed is best)
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 4 eggs
- 1 teaspoon lemon extract
- 1/2 to 3/4 cup Grand Marnier
- 1/3 cup orange juice (fresh squeezed)
- 2/3 cup white sugar
- 1/4 cup butter



DIRECTIONS:

1. Grease a 10 inch Bundt pan. Preheat oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C).
2. In a large bowl, stir together cake mix and pudding mix. Make a well in the center and pour in 3/4 cup orange juice, oil, eggs and lemon extract. Beat on low speed until blended. Scrape bowl, and beat 4 minutes on medium speed. Pour batter into prepared pan.
3. Bake in preheated oven for 50 to 60 minutes. Let cool in pan for 10 minutes, then turn out onto a wire rack and cool completely.
4. Poke holes in the top with a toothpick. Slowly pour the Grand Marnier on the top, allowing it to soak into the cake.
5. In a saucepan over medium heat, cook 1/3 cup orange juice, sugar and butter for two minutes. Drizzle over cake.

COMMUNITY NEWS

CODE RED

Last week I received a County EMS warning of the impending storm and made me wonder if everyone is aware of this great service. The CodeRED system provides the county, town and city officials the ability to quickly deliver messages to targeted areas or the entire county, towns and cities during emergent situations.

Required information includes first and last name, street address (physical address, no P.O. boxes), city, state, zip code, and primary phone number, additional phone numbers can be entered as well. CodeRED allows geographically based delivery, which means street addresses are required to ensure emergency notification calls are received by the proper individuals in a given situation. The system works for cell phones too, but they need to have an associated street address to provide relevant messages.

To fill out the form **online** [click here](#). Those without Internet access may call **York County Emergency Management Agency** at **(207-324-1578)**, **Monday through Friday, (8AM-4PM)** to supply their information over the phone.

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