

## **President's Message**

Here we are at the start of a new year.

A new president, and hopefully, a return to the "old" way of doing things.

I think that we, as a group, owe a great debt of thanks to Pat Georges, Theo Rohrs and the rest of the board members etc. for sticking with it and keeping us together through a most unusual and difficult year.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve as president and look forward to meeting with members, new and old. We have some truly great and interesting programs planned for the coming months, and as always, our ongoing, special interest groups, and possibly some new ones.

Jeff Gaulin

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## **Monthly Meeting Thursday September 9 6:30 pm in the Community House \***

Don and Cindy Roy, National Endowment for the Arts National Heritage Fellows, will play traditional Franco American music at 7:00 pm for the Newcomers and Neighbors September 9, 2021 meeting. Don's virtuoso fiddling and Cindy's steady rhythmic piano accompaniment, plus her top notch step dancing have entertained audiences across the country including the National Folk Festival, Carnegie Hall and Public Radio's "A Prairie Home Companion."



**2 North Street, Kennebunkport \***

## **Classified ads for member volunteers (or desperately seeking....)**

### **Keeper of the Key/Hospitality/Facilities needs a leader!**

This is the group that opens and closes the Community Hall and coordinates the refreshments. The Board has decided to eliminate the coffee/tea service at the monthly meetings but refreshments (which are provided by members) will continue if there is a Chair to open the doors, turn on the lights, set up the tables and, at end of meeting, gather garbage, turn off the lights and lock the doors. THIS IS A KEY POSITION IF OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS ARE TO CONTINUE! Please consider taking this on or sharing with another member.

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### **Social Committee needs a chairperson!**

There is an experienced team willing to help but the team needs a leader. Most of the social events (including the December holiday dinner, the March pot luck and the year end event at The Colony) have taken place for years. As chair, you will not need to reinvent the wheel! The leader coordinates and finalizes the details.

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### **Public Relations person needed!**

Thanks to Donna Murphy who has provided this service, but who is moving away. She provided a brief summary of the duties for the N&N PR person:

We typically send the monthly email to three newspapers at least 2 weeks before the date of the meeting. I suggest that the new public relations person check the submission rules for each publication as it's been over a year since we submitted anything.

Email contacts for local newspapers and a Template to use to compose newspaper calendar entries will be provided to the lucky person who accepts this easy, but important role.

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## 2012-2022 Officers, Committees and Interest/Activities Groups

<p><b>President</b> - Jeff Gaulin  <b>Vice-President</b> – open  <b>Secretary</b> – Chris Deliee  <b>Treasurer</b> – Tim Pattison  <b>Newsletter</b> - Peg Nelson  <b>Webmaster</b> - Peg Nelson  <b>Directory</b> - Bob Mills  <b>Sunshine</b> - Donna Lombardi  <b>Public Relations</b> - open</p> <p><b>Hospitality Committee:</b>  Chair – open  Members - needed</p> <p><b>Membership Committee:</b>  Chair - open  Members – needed</p> <p><b>Program Committee:</b>  Chair - Cindy Sayers  Kate Bauer Burke</p> <p><b>Social Activities Committee:</b>  Chair - open  Alice Ferran  Susan Boak  Lynn Fraser  Anne Malkasian  Robin Ruggerio</p>	<p><b>Book Group:</b> Susan Gilbey</p> <p><b>Bowling:</b> Bill Skulski</p> <p><b>Breakfast Group:</b> Kathy Johnson</p> <p><b>Bridge - Partners:</b> open</p> <p><b>Bridge Duffy's - Weekly Wednesday:</b> Tom Boak</p> <p><b>Dine Around:</b> Kate Bauer Burke and Jim Burke</p> <p><b>Knitting and Crafts:</b> Linda Gaumont and Marie Ali-Hassan</p> <p><b>Ladies' Lunch:</b> Rosanne Withycombe and Marilyn Smith; Jeannine Roy (Christmas)</p> <p><b>Men's Lunch:</b> George Acker</p> <p><b>Movie Group:</b> open</p> <p><b>Outdoor Walking Group:</b> Wendy and John Zarrella</p> <p><b>Scott Sargent Poker Knights:</b> Herb Cohen</p> <p><b>Scrabble:</b> open</p> <p><b>TGFun:</b> Pat and Bill Dugan</p> <p><b>Trivia:</b> Lynn Fraser</p>
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Other activities/interest groups can be formed if someone wants to establish and chair them. Suggestions include mah jongg and penuchle. Groups listed above with “open” chair are probably inactive but had been viable in previous years.

## Scheduled N&N activities

**Beachside Bookenders**, the N&N book group, meets the second Thursday of each month. We are returning to in-person meetings, barring any changes in COVID mandates. For September, we will be reading *Deacon King Kong* by James McBride. The book for October is *The Journey Home* by Olaf Olafsson. Anyone interested in joining the book group should contact Sue Gilbey.

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Usual Wednesday **Bridge at Duffy's** - Lunch at 12:30, Bridge 1:30 to 3:30. Tom Boak coordinates this group.

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**Knitting and Crafts group:** meets monthly on the second Tuesday from 1:30-3:30 pm. The September 14 meeting will be held at Marie Ali-Hassan's home, 37 Sycamore Lane, Kennebunk. RSVP to her directly.

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**TGFun** will continue at The Colony, Sundays at 5:00 pm as long as the weather holds - usually around end of September. Pat and Bill Dugan coordinate this group which is open to all members. No reservations needed, just show up.

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## Your Turn

**Directory update:** If you have moved, changed your e-mail or gotten a new cell phone number, please notify Bob Mills.

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**Sunshine outreach:** If you know of a club member who is sick or hospitalized, please let Donna Lombardi know so she can send a card.

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**N&N Website:** For ongoing calendar items and more information about Newcomers and Neighbors, please visit our website: <http://www.kptanewcomers.org/>

## Non N&N Activities which might be of interest to members

the GREATER BOSTON DICKENS FELLOWSHIP is beginning a new season starting September 12 at 1p.m. via Zoom (until further notice) reading *DOMBEY AND SON*. You can meet and discuss Dickens, his life and legacy with fellow Dickensians plus a lot more. N&N member, Sandra Regan, is the current secretary of the group.

Sandra also graciously shared some of her artwork which will appear in upcoming newsletters starting with this painting.

