

Co-Presidents' Message:

Happy Fall '23 to all, and welcome to another year of good friends, interesting programs and fun activities at Newcomers. We should take a moment to thank the folks in the club that have made a big effort to schedule programs, arrange social activities, polish up the website, re-activate the FaceBook page, get the new program bulletin together, publish the new directory and streamline the new member application. The work that has gone into this new year reminds us of an old poem. It's about a weary traveler who stops to rest under a shade tree next to a well. While he is refreshed by the cool canopy and clear, sweet water, he wonders in gratitude about who planted the tree, who dug the well, and what he can add for the next passerby. We all enjoy this club in our own way, and in the spirit of grateful contribution we hope all can help to build on the foundation that others have provided to us. One key element that we all need to contribute is inviting. The act of inviting new people to join, the act of inviting new members to activities, and engaging new people in welcoming conversation, is essential to sustain the club now and for the future.

So, have a good time this year in the club, and remember to look for newcomers, neighbors, and new members. It's especially important to graciously include new faces we see at meetings and activities so that they know, in every good sense of the word, we intend to convert them to Neighbors asap.

Joyce Schnaars

Steve Georges

**Monthly Meeting
Thursday September 7, 6:30 pm**

September 7, 2023: Diane Lent

Attend our first meeting of the year at the Community House and watch as talented artist, Diane Lent, creates a painting before your eyes! While she is painting, she will speak about her art and what motivates her to paint. At the end of her talk, the painting should be complete. Move over Matisse!



**6:30 Social
7:00 Speaker
7:30 Discussion**

**Temple Street
Kennebunkport
Across from the Post Office**

POP UP ACTIVITES:

Breakfast group: Tuesday, September 12th 9:30 am at All Day Breakfast, 55 Western Ave. Kennebunk

Please respond to Kathy Johnson by Sunday, September 10th if you would like to attend.

Men's Trivia Lunch: The once-per month trivia lunch at Duffy's (4 Main St, Kennebunk) is scheduled to reconvene at noon on Tuesday, 12 September 2023.

Additional categories of questions continue to evolve.

For those planning to participate, before noon on Monday, 11 September please respond so that Duffy's can arrange the proper number of place settings for us.

There is still plenty of time to prepare!

Leader: Larry Simmons

Knitting and Crafts Group: Tuesday, September 12 at 1:30 at Marie's home. Please let Marie know if you are coming.

Leaders: Marie Ali-Hissan & Linda Gaumont

Beachside Bookenders book group meets the second Thursday of the month. The first meeting of the fall will be held on Thursday, Sept. 14 at 3:30 pm. We are reading *Fresh Water for Flowers* by Valerie Perrin. If you are interested in joining the book group, please contact Sue Gilbey.

Bridge at Duffy's: We have a great group of players every week, of all skill levels. Even if you haven't played in many years, you will remember and have fun. Lunch at 12:30 and then bridge from 1:30 to 3:30. Please join us.

Leader: Tom Boak

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

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

Check our website for calendar and activities or to refer potential new members

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