

NEWCOMER NEWS

Women Welcoming Women to the Grand Strand



HAPPY EASTER

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221 Members

April 2018

President's Message

They say that time flies when you are having fun. Well, we must have been having fun as the Newcomer year has flown by!

We had our Spring Fashion Show and auction, which was an enormous success. The glamorous models wore fashions by Dress Barn and all those beautiful baskets were great. We thank everyone who had a part in the planning, all the creative minds who made the baskets, and most of all those of you who were most generous in bidding on them.

We have a great Luncheon coming up this month at the Brentwood in Little River. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate, so we can enjoy the outdoor dining room. This venue has great food and is perfect for welcoming springtime.

Our nominating committee is working hard to confirm the slate of officers for next year. I am sure many of you have been approached or have already volunteered your services. Several years ago, when approached, I said yes and it has been a rewarding experience. So, please don't hesitate, as I am sure you will do a good job and have some fun.

Katherine Jasmine has put together an exciting special event for this month: lunch at Rivertown Bistro followed by a tour of the Horry County Museum. This is great way to learn more about Horry County and have fun while doing it.

Ruth Ruff
President

LUNCHEONS CUT OUT AND SAVE!

DATE	LOCATION
April 25	Brentwood (Calabash)
May 23	21 Main, North Myrtle Beach



The Newcomer Club Coffees

When: 1st Wednesday of the month (Sept-May)
Where: Carolina Forest Community and Rec Ctr.
 2254 Carolina Forest Blvd., Myrtle Beach, 29579
Registration: 9:30 a.m. (*please do not arrive earlier as the Coffee Hostesses, Activity Group Chairpersons, and sponsors are busy preparing the room.*)
Business Meeting begins: 10:00 a.m.

April Speaker: Brooke Holden: Communications Specialist, Horry County Government, Emergency Management Division

May Speaker: Kim A. Cantley: Branch Librarian, Carolina Forest Library

Remember to wear your name tag at all Newcomer events!!



A friendly cell phone reminder

Please be courteous and put your cell phone on vibrate or silent during our meetings.

NEWCOMER CLUB LUNCHEONS

The luncheons are usually held the 4th Wednesday of the month, September through May. Make reservations at the monthly Coffee with Shirley Scholfield and Pat McCarthy. Cash or checks made payable to “Newcomers” are accepted. If you cannot make your reservation at the coffee, you may send a check to Shirley Scholfield, 6079 Quinn Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579, shirley308@gmail.com, 843-360-1055 or Pat McCarthy, 8504 Juxa Rd, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579, patmcCarthy94@gmail.com, (410) 303-1438. **Reservations and payment MUST be received by the Wednesday preceding the event. No money can be refunded after that time.**

When: Wednesday, April 25 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

Where: The Brentwood, 4269 Luck Ave., Little River, SC

Menu: All-inclusive buffet!

- Brentwood House Salad and Classic Caesar Salad
- Chicken Moutarde
- Cod Provencal
- Bow Tie Carbonara
- Roasted Red Potatoes
- Sautéed Spring Vegetables
- Fresh Baked Rolls
- Apple Tart a la Mode

Price: \$24.00 per person, includes tax and gratuity



A Quilt of Valor was presented at the February luncheon to Newcomer member Susan Granger for her service to our nation. Susan served as a Navy Corpsman from September 1976 to January 2005. The Quilt of Valor was presented by Diane Ernst.

SNIPPETS

Mahjongg Info: The Grand Strand Senior Center on 21st Avenue in Myrtle Beach teaches Mahjongg on Wednesdays from 12-3 for anyone who is interested in learning how to play. You must be a member of the Senior Center to take the class. The cost to join is \$20.

What’s Happening? If you are interested in finding out what’s happening on the Grand Strand, check out the Myrtle Beach Calendar of Events at www.visitmyrtlebeach.com. Click on “To Do” in the upper right corner, and then click on Events. Here are some events during the month of April:

April 5	MB Pelicans (Baseball) Opening Day
April 7-8	Art in the Park, Valor Park (Market Common)
April 10	Ben & Jerry’s Free Cone Day
April 13	Great Gatsby Dance Party (Base Rec Center - Market Common)
April 14-15	Art in the Park – Chapin Park (Myrtle Beach)
April 14	Taste of the Coast (House of Blues – Barefoot Landing)
April 15	Long Bay Symphony: Variations on a Theme
April 16	Trio Dinner – A Coastal Culinary Event (Sheraton – Myrtle Beach)
April 16	Southern Elegance Garden Tea Dance
April 16-21	Singing in the Sun Festival
April 17-21	MB International Film Festival
April 20-29	SOS Spring Safari (NMB)
	Horry County Fair
April 20-22	Horry County Food Truck Festival, Myrtle Beach
April 21	Earth Day Festival – Brookgreen Gardens
April 21-22	Art in Common (Market Common)
April 28-29	Wings Over Myrtle Beach Air Show
April 28	Ground Zero Dragon Boat Festival (Market Common)
April 28	Socastee Heritage Festival

Beach Bag Raffle – We will be raffling off two Beach Bags in preparation for the summer at the May Coffee! Each bag is filled with things for summer fun! Tickets are \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Please support our last fundraiser of the season!

Belk Spring Charity Sale Event –Newcomers is participating in the Belk Spring Charity Sale Event that will be held on Saturday, May 5. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be redeemed for \$5.00 worth of merchandise. Each ticket that we sell goes directly to Newcomers to support our charities. If each member bought one ticket, that's \$1,175.00 for our charities! How often can you actually donate \$5.00 and, at the same time, get a coupon worth \$5.00 to purchase designer and rarely discounted brands that are all on sale. You can even pre-shop the sale the week prior to May 5 and receive the same discounts. Tickets will be sold at the Newcomers April and May coffees and the April luncheon. See Denis Snight or any of the board members for additional information.

Carolina Master Chorale – A Taste of Passion – Join the Friends of the Carolina Master Chorale on Sunday, April 8, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for Taste of Passion at beautiful Pine Lakes Country Club. Enjoy delicious food and drinks, wonderful entertainment featuring Jeremy Reasoner, tenor, accompanied by Daniel Francis, the CMC collaborative pianist, performing a program of wonderful solos and duets of Broadway favorites. Also, browse exciting silent and live auction items. Diane DeVaughn-Stokes will be acting as the live auctioneer. Reservations are \$65.00 and will be taken at the Newcomers April Coffee or by calling CMC at 843-444-5774.

Newsletter Deadline for May - Information for the May Newsletter is due to the Editor, Angela Harrison, no later than April 20. E-mail articles to admin@grandstrandlawyers.com (be sure to put **Newcomer's Newsletter** as the subject).



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



The Newcomers Club offers a wide range of groups to suit your interest. If you want to join one of the groups listed or want to start a new one, check off areas of interest when submitting your membership form or contact our Interest Group Coordinators: Audrey Williamson, Julia Brinkley, and Alida Pulsinelli. Also, you can visit our Interest Group table at the next coffee for more information.

As you know, we are tweaking the Special Interests group this year for better communication and engagement. If you are leading or would like to lead a group this year, please bring to the next coffee two copies of a sign-up sheet with your group information (primary contact person information and meeting dates and times). Going forward, the Special Interest Committee will have a copy of the sign-up sheets for new members to indicate interest.

Lunch and Movie Group: We meet for lunch and a movie on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Lunch will be at one of the restaurants in Market Commons followed by a movie of our choice. If you are interested and have not already received an email from us, please contact Maureen Maki (maureen_maki@ms.com) or Gerri Levine (gerrilevine@aol.com).

New York Group: Meets on the third Wednesday of each month. E-mail Susan Verbeke (SusanVerbeke@msn.com) or Barbara Drossos (bdrossos819@gmail.com) for information.

See newcomers.org for more information on each of our special interest groups!

NEWCOMERS SELECTED CHARITIES FOR 2017-2018

Each August our Newcomers Board and our President select the charitable and service organizations that we will be working to help support during the year. Also, at every monthly Coffee and Luncheon a Purple Bucket will be passed for your voluntary contribution to a registered charity that the Board has selected for that month.

President's Pick: *Family Justice Center of Horry and Georgetown Counties.*

Board's Picks: *New Directions of Horry County, SOS Autism Healthcare*

If anyone has any questions about our charities, or if you would like information on volunteering to help any of these choices, please contact Wendy Margulies at (843) 399-3106.

April Purple Bucket: Veterans Welcome Home and Resource Center – assists documented veterans with eligibility and enrollment assistance for VA programs, obtaining military records, awards, referrals for drug and alcohol treatment, shelter, job search assistance, financial assistance for rent, utilities, and car repair. The on-site Hutton House offers a residential program assisting with training, job placement, social skills, etc. for eligible participants. Works alongside other veterans assistance programs in the area..

As always, your contributions are voluntary and very much appreciated.

Community Kitchen

Ladies – We would like to thank everyone who has donated to the Community Kitchen Clothing Room. Without your kindness and generosity Once again we are reaching out for your help in providing the necessary items for the poor and homeless in our area. Because there is such a great need for so many things, we would like to request certain items each month:

April & May - New or gently used clothes for the spring

PLEASE REMEMBER - Anytime you have men and women's clothes or other items to donate, just drop them off at the coffee meeting and we will take care to deliver them to those in need.

As always, thank you for your kindness in helping those less fortunate. Any questions, please call Leslie Eckert (843-236-8770) or Maureen Maki (843-390-5715).

If you would like to donate any gently used handbags or accessories please drop them off at the last Newcomers Coffee (May 2nd) or contact Home Instead Senior Care at 843-357-9777

Join us for an "Old Bags" Tea

Hosted By



Friday July 13, 10am – 4pm & Saturday July 14, 10am – 2pm

Drop by our office

11746 Hwy 17 Bypass, Murrells Inlet, SC 29588 and browse a selection of gently used handbags, totes

All donations go to the

SC Alzheimer's Association

SPECIAL EVENTS

Special Event – April 18, 2018 – It is often said that we never get to explore the gems in our own backyard! On Wednesday April 18, we are meeting for an early lunch at 11:30am at Rivertown Bistro (1111 Third Avenue, Conway) and then making our way to the Horry County Museum (805 Main Street, Conway) where we can discover the several galleries in the two-story, historic former Burroughs School, built in 1905. The Horry County Museum features a 4400-gallon fresh water aquarium that was featured on Animal Planet's hit show "Tanked" and four art galleries, including the textile gallery, photo gallery, city gallery, and industrial galley. Register at the Special Events table at the April Coffee. The cost for lunch is \$20.00 and admission to the museum is free!

MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Dues are \$25.00 per year, payable in September for returning members and payable at time of joining for new members. You may pay your dues at the Coffee or Luncheon. In order to avoid standing in line, you may pay by mail. Send your check payable to Newcomers to Donna Bandura at 336 Highfield Loop, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

Welcome Our New Members for the Month of March! Carole Davies (Michigan), Jeanne Denz (Minnesota), Lu DiBiaso (Illinois), Joanne Gowen (New York), Dee Heckert (North Carolina), and Nancy Ortiz (New York)

We now have 221 paid members. If you know a member who has not paid, remind them that they must pay in order to participate in member activities.

Please look for our sponsors at the monthly Coffee and tell them you saw their ad in the Newcomer's Newsletter---they would love to do business with you!

Home Instead Senior Care: Home Instead Senior Care has provided nonmedical services to the seniors of Horry and Georgetown County for 14 years. They are passionate about serving our seniors and providing quality care. Call Vicki Berg at (843) 357-9777 for more information.

Custom Shirt Zone: Custom Shirt Zone, a locally owned business that has been in the area since 2003, can help with all of your business and personal silk screen apparel, digital apparel, and embroidery needs. For more information, contact Jackie at 843-457-5998 or by email at jackie.miles@customshirtzone.com.

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