

NEWCOMER NEWS

Women Welcoming Women to the Grand Strand



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229 Members

January 2019

President's Message

HAPPY NEW YEAR, best wishes for a healthy, successful 2019!

2018 was a very good year for the Newcomers of the Grand Strand. We have many new members, our charities were given lots of money and our kitchen group provided us with a great brunch last month. The entertainment was fantastic, thanks to the DJ, the singers, and how about those cheerleaders!

We look forward to another successful year. There are many Special Events being planned, and the Special Interest groups are getting up and running, so join one now.

The Fashion show will be coming up in March and it's time for everyone to plan your baskets, either individually or as a group. Let's again do the number of beautiful baskets we had last year. See Marilyn Keyser if you need help with ideas. All you aspiring models see Anna Peck as she needs you!

Ruth Ruff
President

LUNCHEONS CUT OUT AND SAVE!

DATE	LOCATION
January 23 rd	Sea Captains House, Myrtle Beach
February 27 th	Gulfstream Café, Murrells Inlet
March 27 th	Kimbel's (Fashion Show)
April 24 th	The Brentwood Restaurant, Little River
May 22 nd	TBD

*March 27 – Spring Fashion Show Fundraiser



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.

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 fourth Wednesday of the month, September through May. Make reservations at the monthly Coffee with Tara Burfening 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 Tara Burfening at, 615 Broad River Road, Myrtle Beach, SC 29588 (taracandlelady@verizon.net) or Pat McCarthy, 8504 Juxa Rd, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina 29579 (patmccarthy94@gmail.com), You may also call Tara Burfening at (843) 668-4920 or Pat McCarthy at (410) 303-1438. **Reservations and payment MUST be received by January 16, 2018. No money can be refunded after that time.**

When: January 23, 2019 at 11:30am

Where: Sea Captains House 3002 N. Ocean Blvd. Myrtle Beach SC

Menu:

Broiled Crab Cakes – Two Crab Cakes of Fresh Atlantic Crab Meat with a White Wine Dill Sauce and Served with a Baked Potato

Shrimp and Flounder – Fresh Local Shrimp and Flounder Broiled or Deep Fried, Served with a Baked Potato

Grilled Chicken Breast – A Juicy 6oz Chicken Breast Lightly Seasoned, Served with a Baked Potato

All Entrees are served with Hush Puppies and Dessert

Price: \$21.00 per person (beverage, tax, and gratuity included)

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. All Mahjongg Card Orders are due today. Stop by the Fundraising Committee Table and place your order.

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.

January 2, 2019	Museum Matinee: Rebels & Redcoats – The Shot Heard Around the World – Horry County Museum
January 5, 2019	First Saturday Glassblowing Demonstration – Conway Glass Center
January 19, 2019	A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline – Alabama Theatre
January 20, 2019	Souper Supper 2019–International Culinary Institute of HGTC at Market Common
January 21, 2019	Frank Sinatra Tribute – Alabama Theatre
January 27, 2019	Dublin Irish Tenors & Celtic Ladies – The Carolina Opry Theatre

***Newsletter Deadline for February -** Information for the February Newsletter is due to the Editor, Angela Harrison, no later than January 25th. E-mail articles to admin@grandstrandlawyers.com (be sure to put **Newcomer’s Newsletter** as the subject).

Fashion Show - Our Yearly Fashion show will be taking place March 27, 2019, at Kimbel’s Plantation, there will be a buffet and the cost is \$30.00. We will need 7 more models that are petite and also some fuller figure ladies. Call Marilyn Keyser if you would like to participate (843)-503-2794. During the January coffee we will be having a pre-sale for raffle tickets for our baskets. We will keep an envelope for you that you can add to each month till the fashion show and you will receive your tickets the day of the fashion show.

We are asking for donations of baskets for our fashion show. You can make a basket with new items yourself as a donation (value \$50.00) or you can have a group participate with items valued at \$100.00. Do not exceed a \$150.00 value or we would like you to make two baskets. We had beautiful baskets last year and appreciate the

work you put into them. You will be able to sign up in January with your ideas. A list of the items in the basket is required when submitting your basket and the estimated cost. For any questions please call Marilyn Keyser.

An Enchanting Tea and Full Buffet Luncheon - Saturday, February 9th, 2019; 1-3 PM \$45 Dollars Per Person
Kimbels at Wachesa Plantation, 1930 Governors Landing Rd. Murrells Inlet SC 29576. Music by Long Bay Youth Symphony Ensemble, Raffles and a Silent Auction, Full tea of savories, scones, sweets, and dessert. For Reservations, contact Marilyn Keyser 843-503-2794 or Long Bay Symphony Office 843-448-8379. Proceeds Benefit the Long Bay Symphony and Youth Symphony

SPONSOR SPECIALS/EVENT SPOTLIGHT

STOREHOUSE TOURS - (Robin McCall) robininpi@gmail.com or call **843-235-2966**.

- *February 12-14 – Jekyll Island Club Resort, Jekyll Island, GA. Enjoy the splendid history and elegance of the 19th century elite.
- *March 20th - Mepkin Abby & Berkeley County Museum, Moncks Corner, SC. Active Trappist monastery located on Cooper River
- *March 29-30th – Prince George Parish 72nd Annual Plantation Tours, Georgetown, SC. Oldest historic tour, antebellum churches, etc.
- *Middleton Place Plantation & Gardens, Charleston, National historic landmark w/ amazing gardens. Birthplace of Arthur Middleton.
- *April 18th – Pee Dee Farmers Market Spring Plant & Flower Festival, Florence, SC. Vast selection of flowers and plants plus Q&A.

MARY KAY – (Pam Harrelson) **843-997-0577 FREE***. Fun. Fabulous! Get your girlfriends together and let's play with makeup. You can earn **FREE*** products for playing hostess. Plus, I'll give the group customized product recommendations so everyone can look fabulous. It's girl time! *(Available with qualified Consultant with \$200 in retail sales.) **Contact me to get started! Pam Harrelson Independent Beauty Consultant www.marykay.com/pamharrelson**

THIRTY-ONE GIFTS – (Stephanie Bushong) sacb98@yahoo.com **843-251-5573** Stop by my table and check out the new catalog and upcoming sale prices on totes and other popular items you have been waiting for!

EDWARD JONES – (Audrey Williamson) audreywilliamson@edwardjones.com **843-238-1893** January is a great time to get your finances in order, protect your retirement income and build an income stream!

START THE NEW YEAR OFF RIGHT WITH THE RIGHT SKINCARE AND PRODUCTS FOR YOU AND FAMILY

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- MARY KAY - (Pam Harrelson) pamharrelson@earthlink.net 843-997-0577
- MODERE – (Barbara Gregory) bgreg823@aol.com 843-457-0026

OLLI - (Ellen Jampoli) The Taste of OLLI Open House happens **Tuesday January 8** from **9 – noon** at the Conway Education Center, 290 Allied Dr., Conway; **Thursday January 10** from **9 – noon** at the Litchfield Education Center, 14427 Ocean Highway, Litchfield Landing, Pawleys Island; and from **2 – 4** at the Georgetown Education Center, 903 Front St., Georgetown. Also, the spring 2019 catalog is available in hard copy or at <https://www.coastal.edu/olli/currentcourses/>

T-REX COMPUTERS – (Chuck Walker) Chuck@T-RexComputers.com **843-626-5235** January is a great time to think about cleaning up your computer and adding new virus protection software.

CAROLE BELLACEU – (Carole Bellaceu) carolebella2001@yahoo.com **703-475-1049** The winter months are a good time to curl up with a good book, check out my selection and my newest book too!

MOORE, JOHNSON & SARANITI LAW FIRM, P.A. – (Angela D. Harrison) **843-650-9757** Make a New Year's Resolution to get your Will and Health Care Powers of Attorney reviewed or drafted. Review of out-of-state wills and powers of attorney is provided to all Newcomers Members. Contact Rachel at my office to get me copies of your documents, or bring copies to the Coffee!



BOOK CLUB

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 group, check off areas of interest when submitting your membership form or contact our Interest Group Coordinators: Marilyn Keyser (843) 503-2794, Andrea Schmehl (610) 507-1072 and Anita Karkocha (614) 832-2167. Also, you can visit our Interest Group table at the next coffee for more information.

*The Special Interest Committee is in the process of revamping all of the groups. **PLEASE HELP!** If you are chairing a group or interested in chairing a group, please contact Marilyn Keyser, Andrea Schmehl or Anita Karkocha with the name of your group along with a brief description and your contact information. If you have ideas for any special interest groups, please let our committee know.*

Maryland Group: Contact Bernadette Kahl at bkahl@advp.com or (843) 361-8434

New Jersey Group: If you were born in, lived in, or just drove through the Garden State, join us for lunch at Noon on the 4th Friday of every month. Contact Sharon Faas (973) 943-8890.

New York Group: This group is open to any member who has relocated here from New York State. We meet for lunch on the third Wednesday of each month at a local restaurant. If you wish to join please contact Susan Granger (518) 779-8933 or susanverbeke@msn.com. Hope to see you there!

Ohio/PA Group: Contact Maureen Shaffer at maureenbcspa@gmail.com or (330) 518-5182.

Southern Group: Contact Delinda Hoepner (843) 651-0150.

Book Club: In January, Ellen Devlin will be starting a new book club. We already have eight women who are interested in joining. If you are interested, please call her at (678) 777-6377.

Bowling Group: Contact Andrea Schmehl (610) 507-1072

Bridge Group: This group meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Contact Julie Brinkley (843) 460-4402 or JBrinkle1@gmail.com

Golf Group: Golfers get together twice a month during the fall and spring, weather permitting. If you are interested in golfing or would like more information, please contact Jackie Miles at (336) 462-7365 or jackie.miles@customshirtzone.com

Mahjongg South Strand: This group meets at Denny's on Highway 17 Bypass near Surfside beside Firestone Tires every Monday at 10 a.m. Contact Gail Hilt at (843) 215-062 or gchilt@sc.rr.com or Rita Hulme at (843) 650-9072 or scdandrh93@aol.com.

Mahjongg North/Central: This group meets every Thursday of the month at Plantation Lakes Amenity Center in Carolina Forest at 10:30 a.m. You may bring your own lunch or snacks. Contact Barbara Drossos at BDrossos819@gmail.com.

Movie and Lunch: Ladies, come join us on the 2nd Tuesday of each month as we get together for lunch and a movie. If interested, please contact Maureen Maki at Maureen_maki@msn.com or (843) 390-5715, or Gerri Levine at (843) 236-8342 or gerrilevine@aol.com. **This month's meeting will take place on January 8, 2019, at 12:30 p.m. at Crepe Creations at Market Common with a movie following at Grand 14. Bring your movie suggestions!**

Card Making: Join Andrea Schmehl for card making, cost is \$5 for 3 cards, up to 10 ladies can join. Please Contact Andrea at (843) 390-5715 or ASchmehl@gmail.com.

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

NEWCOMERS SELECTED CHARITIES FOR 2018-2019

Each August, our Newcomers Board and our President select the charitable and service organizations that Newcomers will support through our many fundraising efforts. They also select the organizations that will receive funding through the Purple Bucket that is passed at every monthly Coffee and Luncheon. We are pleased to announce that the following organizations have been chosen for support.

President's Pick: *Freedom Readers:* The mission of freedom readers is to improve reading skills in low income communities by providing one-to-one literacy tutoring, free books for home libraries, and an inspiring, high energy learning environment. Founder and Executive Director is Dr. Tracy Bailey.

Board's Picks: *Help4Kids (Backpack Buddies):* The mission of Help4Kids is to provide food sacks that are sent home in the kids' backpacks on Fridays. They also provide school backpacks and school supplies for children in need. Director is Barbara Maines.

Community Kitchen: See information below

If anyone has any questions about our charities, or if you would like information on volunteering to help any of these choices, please contact Denise Knight (843)-236-4923.

Purple Bucket for January: Coastal Animal Rescue. Located in Murrells Inlet, Coastal Animal Shelter is a cage-free, no-kill, all volunteer shelter whose mission is to place rescued animals, primarily cats and dogs into loving permanent homes. They also teach responsible pet ownership to school-aged children and provide neutering and spaying services.

Community Kitchen

Community Kitchen: The mission of the community kitchen is to feed the hungry both at breakfast and lunch. The meals and fellowship are provided at no cost to the guests. Director is Deacon Peter Casamento.

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)

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Special Events Committee chairperson is Katherine Jasmine. If you have any comments or ideas for planned activities or if you would like to sign up for an event, please see her at the monthly Coffee. Or, you may call Katherine at (978)764-8711 or e-mail at katherine@marketingfirst.biz. You may also contact Mary Ann Kinnally at (843) 796-9385 or by email at maryannkinnally@yahoo.com.

Flower Arranging Class with Annie Gladis of A&J Creative Designs!

January 17th at 1 pm – Only \$17 per person!

Join us for a (very) limited Class of Flower Arranging with our Newcomer's Sponsor, Creative Designs by A & J. We've seen some of the outstanding arrangements that Annie has brought to Newcomers' meetings and now she will share her secrets of arranging flowers in various designs and tips on how to make fresh flowers last two weeks!

Classes are limited to a maximum of ten ladies and will be held at a location to be announced in Carolina Forest. Annie will supply us with a container, oasis, and greens -- You'll bring your own flowers that you purchase at a local grocery or flower shop. You'll need two bunches of your favorite blooms!

Call Katherine at 978-764-8711 or email katherine@marketingfirst.biz. Registration will be cut off as soon as we get ten paid sign-ups. You can send your check, payable to Newcomers of the Grand Strand for \$17 to Katherine Jasmine, 741 Old Castle Loop, Myrtle Beach, SC.

Be sure to call or email to register so I can be sure you have a spot in this exciting event! Detail will be sent via email and/or phone so add this information in your message to me.

Here is a PREVIEW of a few upcoming special events for 2019!

January: Myrtle Beach Art Museum and Lunch

February: Theatre of the Republic – Musical Production of Next to Normal

March: Carolina Forest High School production of “Newsies”

April: Coastal Carolina Winery and Lunch

May: Newcomers' Night at Pelicans Baseball

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 Connie Moffatt at 4411 Livorn Loop Myrtle Beach, SC 29579.

In December we had 1 previous member and 3 new members join us. Please take a moment to say hello at the next meeting!

Welcome Our New Members for the Months of January! Shirley Mullinax, Terrie Allen, Pamela Bolling and Anne Garrido!

*We now have 229 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!

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A non-profit hospice, palliative care agency was created by community volunteers since 1980. Hospice is the model for quality and compassionate care for people facing a life-limiting illness or injury. Sarah chose to join a journey of service that enriches lives and reminds her everyday that every moment matters. Please help any way you can!

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