

# NEWCOMER NEWS

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247 Members

November 2018

## President's Message

This is the month during which we stress thoughts of “thankfulness,” after two months of horrific storms inflicting great damage and death in many areas of our nation, the list is endless.

Be thankful that you have a roof over your head. Be thankful that you and your family have a safe home. Be thankful for the food you have every day. Be thankful for your health; be thankful that you are here with us today!

There are many who do not have these things. As a result of storms and floods, many lack the necessities that many of us take for granted. Look around; see what you can do to help someone. May everyone have a joyous Thanksgiving, a table with family and friends around, plenty of special holiday foods and if you are traveling, may you be safe.

Please remember to visit our sponsors, get that gift for a family member, neighbor or special friend.

Ruth Ruff  
President

## LUNCHEONS CUT OUT AND SAVE!

| DATE                      | LOCATION                                       |
|---------------------------|--|
| November 28 <sup>th</sup> | Umberto's<br>Barefoot Landing, N. Myrtle Beach |
| December 12 <sup>th</sup> | Chestnut Hill, Myrtle Beach                    |
| January 23 <sup>rd</sup>  | Sea Captains House, Myrtle Beach               |
| February 27 <sup>th</sup> | Gulfstream Café, Murrells Inlet                |
| March 27 <sup>th</sup>    | Kimbel's (Fashion Show)*                       |
| April 24 <sup>th</sup>    | The Brentwood Restaurant, Little River         |
| May 22 <sup>nd</sup>      | TBD  |

\*March 27<sup>th</sup> – 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 Nancysue Givens or 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 Nancysue Givens at, 414 Channel View Drive, Conway, SC 29527, pghstelerfan@yahoo.com, (843) 397-9237 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, November 28, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

**Where:** Umbertos at Barefoot Landing - 4886 N Kings Hwy, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

**Menu Choices:**

1. 8oz New York Strip Steak served with a side of pasta
2. Chicken Picatta – Boneless Chicken Breast sautéed in white wine, garlic and fresh mushrooms served with a side of pasta
3. Broiled Salmon served with a side of pasta

Each dish comes with beans, garden salad, drink (coffee, tea, soda or water), and Tiramisu for dessert.

**Price:** \$22.00 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.

**Mahjongg Cards:** Each year, we sell Mahjongg cards. If you would like to order one this year, please fill out the form below and return to the fundraising table at the monthly coffee. The cards will be for sale during the November and December coffees. Newcomers receives a percentage of the profits based on number of cards sold. Please support this fundraising endeavor. Thank you!

#### **Please Print All Information**

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**House #, Street, City, Zip Code**

**TELEPHONE # house:** \_\_\_\_\_ **cell:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NUMBER OF CARDS: LARGE - \$9 each** \_\_\_\_\_ **SMALL - \$8 each** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: A SEPARATE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH ADDRESS CARDS ARE MAILED TO.**

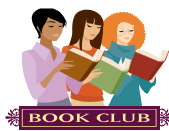
**Attractions Books** – Purchase your Attractions Books at the Fundraising Committee Table. Books are filled with coupons that are valid until the end of 2019 and are only \$20.00. Proceeds go to help our wonderful charities!

**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](http://www.visitmyrtlebeach.com). Click on "To Do" in the upper right corner, and then click on Events. Here are some upcoming events:

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| November 8-11  | Dicken's Christmas Show and Festival – Myrtle Beach Convention Center                  |
| November 10    | 10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Snowball Drop – Downtown Conway                                |
| November 10    | Oldies Saturday Bonfire (La Belle Amie Vineyard)                                       |
| November 10-11 | Mythical & Medieval Festival – RH Acres (Socastee)                                     |
| November 10-11 | Art in the Park at Chapin Park   |
| November 17    | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Holiday Craft Show (St. Andrew Community Life Center)           |
| November 17    | Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Market Common   |
| November 17    | Murrells Inlet 2020 Oyster Roast   |
| November 17    | WineStock (La Belle Amie Vineyard)   |
| November 22-24 | 49 <sup>th</sup> Annual South Carolina State Bluegrass Festival (MB Convention Center) |
| November 24    | 34 <sup>th</sup> Annual Intracoastal Christmas Regatta – Little River Inlet            |
| November 24    | Holiday Spirits Bonfire (La Belle Amie Vineyard)                                       |
| November 29    | Conway Tree Lighting   |
| November 29    | Kaminski House Lighting the Lawn Party (Georgetown)                                    |
| November 29    | Surfside Beach Christmas Tree Lighting   |
| December 1     | A Very Broadway Christmas (Broadway at the Beach)                                      |

**HOLIDAY CRAFT SHOW** - The Anthony Montesinos Columbiettes #5086 are having their 3rd Annual Holiday Craft Show on Saturday, November 17, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the St. Andrew Parish Community Center, at 507 37th Avenue North, in Myrtle Beach, SC 29579. Come join us for a fun time while you do your Holiday Shopping.

**\*Newsletter Deadline for December** - Information for the December Newsletter is due to the Editor, Angela Harrison, no later than November 21<sup>st</sup>. E-mail articles to [admin@grandstrandlawyers.com](mailto: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 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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:susanverbeke@msn.com). Hope to see you there!

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

**Southern Group:** The Special Interest Group is looking for someone to Chair this Group. We really don't want to see this group go. If you are interested, please call or e-mail Marilyn Keyser (843) 503-2794 or [marilynkeyser@yahoo.com](mailto:marilynkeyser@yahoo.com).

**Book Club:** The book club meets on the third Monday of each month. We are currently meeting in each other's homes and have seventeen members. We have decided that is our limit. If you are interested in starting another group or want to start a waiting list, please contact M.J. Martin at (843) 651-5390 or [mjscmarty@gmail.com](mailto:mjscmarty@gmail.com).

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

**Bridge Group:** This group meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Contact Julie Brinkley (843) 460-4402 or [JBrinkle1@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:gchilt@sc.rr.com) or Rita Hulme at (843) 650-9072 or [scdandrh93@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:BDrossos819@gmail.com).

**Movie and Lunch:** Ladies, come join us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month as we get together for lunch and a movie. If interested, please contact Maureen Maki at [Maureen\\_maki@msn.com](mailto:Maureen_maki@msn.com) or (843) 390-5715, or Gerri Levine at (843) 236-8342 or [gerrilevine@aol.com](mailto:gerrilevine@aol.com).

**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](mailto: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 of Myrtle Beach:* 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.

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.

*Purple Bucket for November: Blue Star Mothers*

**Coffee Holiday Social – Volunteers Needed:** Our Board Members are holding a repeat of our Holiday Follies coffee social that was held last year. It takes a lot of work and time to put this December coffee together. The Board is asking for 20 volunteers to help put this event on. Volunteers can help with making decorations and set-up and clean-up. Please contact Maureen Maki at [Maureen\\_maki@msn.com](mailto:Maureen_maki@msn.com); Anna Peck at [acp416@hotmail.com](mailto:acp416@hotmail.com); or Gerri Levine at [gerrilevine@aol.com](mailto:gerrilevine@aol.com) to volunteer.

### 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.

We delivered all your socks and underwear donations to some of the needy and homeless in Myrtle Beach. The gratitude shown to us makes it all worthwhile! There is a new group just down the road from the Community Kitchen who offer free showers and help with washing their belongings. Because of the wonderful supply of socks and underwear (both men and women) you gave to us, we shared some of the donations with them. The woman in charge was so happy. They really had nothing yet to offer those in need. She told us they can now let the homeless shower and put on a clean pair of underwear and socks. What a wonderful feeling that is!!

Just a quick reminder to all of you about our request for wool hats, gloves and scarves. The nights are getting colder as we approach the winter months. Keeping warm when you have no place to sleep except the outdoors can sure be a challenge. As a group, we can help keep those in need just a little warmer.

If you bring a donation to our November coffee, don't forget to put your name in the jar to have a chance to win either a Holiday Basket or a Bath Basket. We will draw 2 names at our December coffee. We cannot find the words to express how appreciative we are for your kindness and generosity in helping those less fortunate than ourselves.

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)

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### Santa for Seniors

Once again this year, Home Instead will be requesting support for the seniors in our area. Last year you did a great job of supporting this event. At the November 7<sup>th</sup> coffee please stop at the Home Instead table and pick out your Angel Gift Request. Then purchase the item or items on the list and bring them back to the December 5<sup>th</sup> coffee. The Home Instead team will distribute the gifts to the appropriate senior. If you have any questions you can email [tina.mitchell@homeinstead.com](mailto:tina.mitchell@homeinstead.com).

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## 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](mailto:katherine@marketingfirst.biz). You may also contact Mary Ann Kinnally at (843) 796-9385 or by email at [maryannkinnally@yahoo.com](mailto:maryannkinnally@yahoo.com).

### Here is a PREVIEW of a few upcoming special events for 2018-2019!

**November:** Memory Sand Craft with Angie Bogarsky

**December:** Carolina Forest High School Holiday Spectacular

**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

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## 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 September we had 22 new members join us and in October we had 9 new members! Please take a moment to say hello at the next meeting!*

**Welcome Our New Members for the Months of September and October!** Peggy Barnes (Maryland), Linda Burgess (Maryland), Noreen Ciborski (New Jersey), Linda Coulter (New York), Kathy Haight (New York), Gloria Heim (Pennsylvania), Maggie Hood (California), Linda Hronis (Connecticut), Marjorie Jones (New York), Linda

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\* We currently have 212 paid members. If you know a member who has not paid, remind them that they must pay in order to participate in member activities. Unpaid members will be placed on inactive status if they have not paid after the November Coffee.

***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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