

NEWCOMER NEWS

Women Welcoming Women to the Grand Strand



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206 Members

January 2017

President's Message

Welcome everyone to 2017! What a wonderful time we had at our "Member Appreciation Event." Thanks to all the women that spent so much time and effort making it a great event.

I hope everyone enjoyed the time in December with friends and loved ones. It is this time of year we reflect back on the memories and events that impacted our lives.

I look forward to the upcoming events, lunches and speakers that we have planned for the remainder of our year. As always, we want to take a moment to greet the new members or if you see someone that is not engaged invite them to one of our activities.

Bring on 2017!

Audrey Williamson
President

Happy New Year!

IMPORTANT DATES CUT OUT AND SAVE!

COFFEE	LUNCHEON
January 4	January 25 – Chestnut Hill Myrtle Beach
February 1	February 22 – Joe's Bar & Grill North Myrtle Beach
March 1	March 22* - Pawley's Plantation
April 5	April 26 – Brentwood
May 3	May 24 – Pine Lakes Myrtle Beach

* March 22 – 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.
January Coffee Program: Shag Dancing with Sandra Lucas-Lyde

February Coffee Program: Marilou Cook, Carolina Improv

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 on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September through May, and include a presentation of interest to our members. Make reservations at the monthly Coffee (before or after the Business Meeting) with Myra Spitzhoff and Pam Bremer. Cash (exact change is greatly appreciated) or checks (payable to "Newcomers") are accepted. **No money can be refunded after the final reservations have been made.** If you cannot make your reservation at the Coffee, you may call Myra Spitzhoff at (704) 241-2904 or Pam Bremer (717) 487-4063 (between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. as a courtesy). Payments must be mailed to Myra Spitzhoff at 1174 Shire Way, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 or Pam Bremer at 1149 Wyatt Lane, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577. **Reservations and payment MUST be received by the Wednesday preceding the event.**

When: Wed., January 25, 2017 at 11:30 a.m.

Where: Chestnut Hill, 9922 N. Kings Hwy, Myrtle Beach 29572 (843) 449-3984

Directions: Chestnut Hill is on the right on Highway 17 Bypass headed North after Restaurant Row and before Tanger Outlet.

Menu Choices:

- 1- Crab Cake
- 2- 6 oz. Chicken Parmesan
- 3- Shrimp Creole served on a bed of rice
- 4- 8 oz. Ribeye

All entrees are served with vegetables and potato du jour, fresh garden salad, dinner rolls, and iced tea or coffee
Dessert: Fruit and nut cobbler with ice cream

Price: \$26pp (tip, tax, and beverage included in price)

January Speaker: Pat Bush; Horry County Literacy Council

SNIPPETS

Coupon Book Fundraiser - The 2017 edition of the Grand Strand Attractions Dining and Value Guide is available for sale today at the bake sale table. The \$20.00 book is full of money-saving coupons. 50% of the proceeds benefit Newcomers.

Mahjongg Card Fundraiser - Orders are now being accepted for Mahjongg Cards. Cards come in two sizes, small (\$8.00) or large (\$9.00). Payment is due with order. Orders will also be accepted at the January coffee. Newcomers receives a portion of proceeds depending upon number of cards we sell. Please see Dot Carrington to 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.

Newsletter Deadline for January - Information for the January Newsletter is due to the Editor, Angela Harrison, no later than January 20. E-mail articles to reception@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 visit our Interest Group Coordinator, Sherrie Andress, at our Interest Group table at the next coffee for more information.

State Groups: Maryland, New Jersey Group, New York Group, Ohio/PA.

**Book Club
Bridge Group**

**Bowling
Dine Around (North/Central)**

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Euchre
Game Night
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Movie and Dinner
Walking

Dine Around (South)
Gardening
Knitting/Crafts
Mahjongg North/Central
Movie and Lunch

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.

LUNCH & A MOVIE – NOW ON THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH! The Lunch & Movie day has been changed to the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Our first outing will be Tuesday, January 10th! If you are interested in joining the lunch and movie group, please e-mail Maureen Maki at Maureen_maki@msn.com. Include your name, email address, and telephone number. Maureen will reserve a restaurant, and the movie title is available the Sunday before the planned outing. Contact Maureen Maki at (843) 390-5715 or (410) 708-3952 for more information.

NEWCOMERS SELECTED CHARITIES FOR 2015-2016

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: *Big Paws Canine.*

The Board has chosen two charities: *Look Good, Feel Better and Hope House.*

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 the month of January, we have selected **Family Justice Center.**

Community Kitchen Clothing Room: The director of Community Kitchen (where the homeless can receive free breakfast & lunch 5 days a week), influenced by a belief that there was an additional need to clothe the needy, created a clothing room four months ago. Those in need can receive emergency clothing items and hygiene kits. However, they are in desperate need of volunteers. The room is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:30 to 12:30. Won't you consider giving a few hours of your time for the men and women in our local area who so desperately need our help? If you can't give of your time, we always need clothing items (especially men and women's pants, tops, underwear, socks, sneakers jackets, sleeping bags, backpacks). The weather will soon be turning cooler and warmer clothes are needed for those less fortunate who are spending the nights outdoors. If you are interested in either giving of your time, or donating items, please give us a call. Thank you in advance for any help you can give. Regards, Maureen Maki (843-390-5715) Leslie Eckert (843-236-8770)

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

SPECIAL EVENTS

The Special Events Committee chairperson is Chris Lenart. If you have any comments or ideas for planned activities or if you would like to sign up for an event, please see Chris at the monthly Coffee. Or, you may call Chris at (843)796-1206 or e-mail at mumzie85@gmail.com. You may also contact Helen Fribrance at (860) 235-9327.

January 10- Friendship Ball – Glass Blowing, Conway Glass. \$35.00. This event is **SOLD OUT.**

February – Horry Georgetown Culinary Institute. This event is **SOLD OUT.**

March - Floral Arranging . \$20

April - Brookgreen Gardens

MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Dues are \$25.00 per year, payable in September for returning members and payable at time of joining for new members. Membership committee co-chairs are Ruth Ruff at (843) 997-9532 or ruffruff@sc.rr.com or to Joyce Farrell at (845)590-1405 or jfarrell53@aol.com. If you know of a member who is no longer living in the area or who does not wish to remain a member, please e-mail Ruth Ruff.

Our New Members for the month of December are: Marilyn Atkinson (Michigan), Janet Fraley (New Jersey), MaryAnn Karba (Ohio), and Rosalie Naples-Zapotosky.

We now have 206 paid members. If you know a member who has not paid, remind them that they must pay in order to participate in member activities.

Directories

New members will receive a copy of our Newcomers Directory in their membership packet. At most of our coffees Susan Rivenburgh will take pictures of new members. Please be sure to have your picture taken. We will be populating the website with the members' pictures and will be generating a directory from the website this year. Please check that your information is correct and let Ruth Ruff (Membership Chair) know if any corrections are needed. If you have any comments, corrections or questions, please see M.J. Martin or call her at 843 651-5390.

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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