



NEWCOMER NEWS

Women Welcoming Women to the Grand Strand



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244 Members

May 2024

President's Message

This month it is time to say, "in with the new and out with the old", with many of our Board members. You will be seeing a lot of new faces, and experiencing fresh new ideas in the next term year. At the May Coffee on May 6, 2024, you will have an opportunity to meet the ladies replacing the Board Members who are leaving their positions. We all want to thank those leaving for all their hard work and dedication. Words cannot express what a terrific Board we have to work with, and I am so grateful to each and every one of the ladies. It is a bittersweet feeling, but I will be one of those leaving my position; yet, I will remain on the Board as your Parliamentarian. Thank you all for helping me in my position as President over the past two years. Your cooperation has made my job a lot of fun, and I have truly enjoyed it, and all the responsibilities that went along with it. I appreciate your putting your trust in me!

We have a lot planned for this month, and I am so excited about going to visit Boone Hall Plantation on May 14, 2024, for the tour, and lunch. Please don't forget to sign up for our last luncheon at Toasted Yoke on May 22, at 11:00 AM, before we break for summer! It would be so nice to have a really terrific turnout. Have a safe and terrific summer! I'll see you in September.

Warmly,
Anita Karkocha
President

LUNCHEONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
May 22	Toasted Yoke

The Newcomers Club Coffees

When: 1st Monday of the month (Sept-May)

Where: General Robert H. Reed Recreation Center
800 Gabreski Lane, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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.

Program: There will be no speaker at the May coffee.

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

Newcomers Club Luncheons

Luncheons are usually held on the fourth Wednesday of the month, September through May. Reservations can be made at the monthly Coffee with Tara Burfening or Karen McCoale. Cash (exact change is greatly appreciated) or checks (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; 843-668-4920) or Karen McCoale at 2388 Seneca Ridge Drive, Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 (knmccoale@gmail.com; 610-739-0985) (call between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. as a courtesy). **Reservations and payment MUST be received by Wednesday, May 15, 2024. No reservations can be accepted after that time and no money can be refunded. This is to allow the restaurant time to order the menu items.**

When: Wednesday, May 22, 2024

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Where: Toasted Yolk (formerly Sam Snead’s)
1004 Glenforest Road
Myrtle Beach, SC

Phone: (843) 903-4100

Menu

Choose one:

1 –Two Eggs and a Cake – Choice of pancake or French toast, choice of hash browns or grits and choice of meat

2 – Soup and Salad

3 – Soup and Sandwich

4 – Salad and Sandwich

Sandwich Choices – BLT, Reuben, Chicken Salad or Tuna Salad

Soup Choices – Chicken Tortilla or Homestyle Chili

Salad Choices – Homemade Chicken Salad, Strawberry Field Salad or Shrimp Cilantro Salad

**Coffee, soda and tea are included
with the meal**

**Cost: \$25.00 Per Person
(Tax and Gratuity included)**



Snippets

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 upcoming events:

May 1	Long Bay Youth Spring Concert – Myrtle Beach High School
May 4	Surfside Beach BBQ Festival – Surfside Beach
May 4	Blessing of the Inlet – Belin Memorial UMC
May 5	Cinco de Mayo – Neal & Pam's, Surfside Beach
May 5	Mac N Cheese/Taco Cookoff – Sara J's, Garden City
May 9-12	Myrtle Beach Classic – PGA Tour Event
May 12	Mother's Day Sunset Cruise – Murrells Inlet
May 10-19	Harley Davidson Spring Rally
May 11	Spring Wine Festival – Brookgreen Gardens
May 18-19	Little River Blue Crab Festival – Little River
May 18	Festival of Arts & Crafts – Murrells Inlet Presbyterian Church
May 23	Apple or Scalpel with Dr. Phillips by Juice plus – Pawleys Island Presbyterian Church
May 23-27	Atlantic Beach Bikefest
May 25-27	Military Appreciation Days Parade, Family Picnic & Exhibits – Market Common and Ocean Blvd

Newsletter - This will be our last Newsletter for this term. Be sure to watch for your September Newsletter. Have a safe and fun summer. We'll see you in September!

Corresponding Secretary – Part of the role of corresponding secretary is to ensure all members are cared about in their time of need. Time of need would include illness, surgery, loss or someone just feeling down. Elaine Steiner has stepped in to fill this position for the rest of this term year. Please feel free to contact Elaine at elainesteiner2@gmail.com or by phone at 732-406-0826 if you know of anyone needing some cheering up.

Donations Needed - Please don't throw out those unwanted clothes. Bring them to me at the monthly coffee (located straight back in alcove near restroom and kitchen) and I will take them to Associated Charities to be distributed to those in need or if you prefer, please drop your donations off at Associated Charities, 742 Lumber Street, Myrtle Beach, SC.

There is an urgent need for Men's Clean Underwear, Men's Golf and T-shirts (all sizes), Men's Athletic Shorts (all sizes), Children's Summer Clothing, Women's Clean Panties and Bras, Women's Jeans, Shorts, Tops (all sizes). Your donations can make a difference in someone's life. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me...Maureen Maki (410-708-3952). THANK YOU.



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS



Special Interest groups are the lifeblood of the Newcomers club, it allows members to connect with other members with similar interests and hobbies. There are several groups already up and running that you can join or we can help you start a new group. The possibilities are endless; bowling, knitting, needlework, making cards, playing card games, gardening, wine tasting, walking, scrabble, bridge, book clubs, bunco, lunch, crafts, recipe clubs, dinner clubs, day trip clubs or craft clubs, anything you can imagine.

If interested in joining an existing group, see below to reach the group leader or look for sign-up sheets at the coffee meeting. If interested in starting a new group please feel free to reach out to Andrea Schmehl at 610-507-1072 or aschmehl@gmail.com to assist you in forming a new group. We can help you with putting it in the Newsletter and having sign-up sheets at the coffee meetings.

In addition, if you are interested in helping to coordinate the groups reach out to Andrea for details.

Current Activities

GREETING CARDS – Andrea Schmehl – if you are interested in making greeting cards, contact Andrea at 610-507-1072 for more information. Look for details of upcoming projects in 2023/2024.

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB – This book club is full at this time. They will be exploring a new genre “Graphic Novels”. If interested in starting a new group, please reach out to MJ Martin at 843-367-2877 and she will help start one.

MOVIE & LUNCH- The day for lunch and a movie has been changed to **Wednesday**. We will be meeting at 11:30 on **Wednesday, May 8, 2024** at Gios Italian Kitchen, 4003 Deville Street, Market Common. All members are invited to join our group. If you would like to attend, please email Anita Karkocha at akarakoch@yahoo.com or text her at 614-832-2167 by Tuesday, May 7 so she can make a reservation. If you do register to come and cannot attend, please let Anita know by May 7. Hope to see you there.

Newcomers Selected Charities for 2023-2024

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.

<u>President's Pick:</u>	<u><i>Help for Kids/Backpack Buddies:</i></u> Mission: Help for Kids provides food for hungry children of Horry County who through no fault of their own do not have enough to eat on a daily basis. Backpack Buddies provides food on the weekends. Teachers and school administrators identify the children in need. They also provide backpacks filled with school supplies when school starts, and a week's worth of clothing and a pair of shoes as needed. They are now making and delivering almost 3,000 food packs per week!
<u>Board Pick:</u>	<u><i>Meals on Wheels of Horry & Georgetown Counties, Inc.:</i></u> Mission: To provide nutritious home delivered meals, as well as compassion, hope, assistance, fellowship, and the love of Jesus to those who are or have family that is classified homebound, elderly, and terminally ill in Horry and Georgetown Counties. Their vision is to "Deliver God's Love One Meal at a Time" in order to transform the lives of those we serve by sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ, focusing on the whole being, upholding the sanctity of life, and dealing with their current nutritional needs.
<u>Purple Bucket:</u>	<u><i>Caring in Our Lifetime:</i></u> Mission: Caring In Our Lifetime is dedicated to raising funds and providing financial assistance with medical expenses to individuals in Horry and Georgetown counties affected by breast cancer.

If anyone has any questions about our charities, or if you would like information on volunteering to help at any of these choices, please contact Peggy Suggs at 843-742-5588/ 540-878-7712, or peggy.suggs@comcast.net

Fundraising News

Our "**Spring Fling**" Fashion Show was a success! We cleared \$3,738.77 after expenses. All the ladies looked very springy in their colorful, spring outfits. I think everyone had a wonderful time. Thank you, Anita Karkocha and all the Board for your hard work and your hard-working committees. Y'all did a wonderful job. All the baskets we received were absolutely beautiful. We have many members with so much talent and creativity. The fashions this year were from Chico's. The models all looked amazing. Everything was so Springy and colorful. Thank you everyone for all you did to make this another successful and fun day! Here are a few pictures for your viewing pleasure.





















Special Events

May

Boone Hall Plantation Tour, 1235 Long Point Road, Mount Pleasant, SC 29464

Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 10:15 am

\$25.00 for 3 to 3 ½ hour tour (some is self-guided)

This is the tour schedule:

Arrival: 10:15 am

Tour begins: 10:30 am

Gullah Theater Performance: 11:15 to 11:45 am

Break for lunch in Butterfly Café (on your own)

Plantation House Tour: 12:45 to 1:15 pm

Formal Garden Tour: (self-guided)

Grounds and Cabins Tour: (self-guided)

Gin House Museum: (self-guided)

Depart

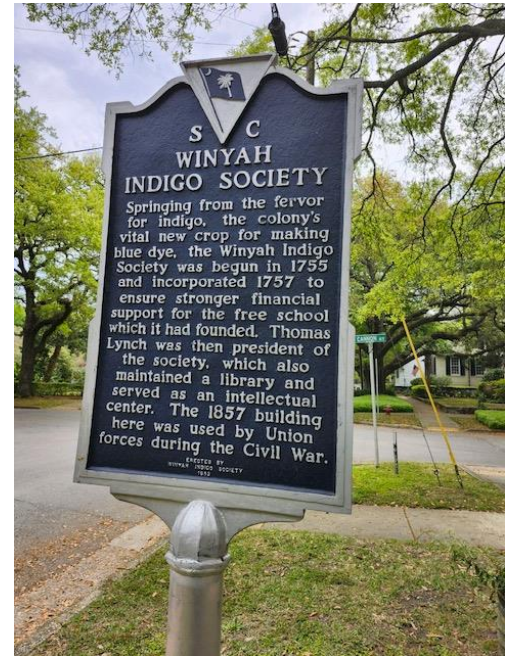
There will be no refunds after May 1.

Any questions? Please call Anita Winters at 843-903-6645 (home), 973-224-0459 (cell)

Or email: anitawinters@gmail.com



April Event - On April 9th, some ladies signed up for the Georgetown Walking Tour and enjoyed a nice 90-minute tour, Revolutionary Way to Present and ended their tour with lunch at the River Room Restaurant. As you can see in the pictures, they had a beautiful day for their walking tour.







THANK YOU, Marilyn Keyser and Anita Winters for your hard work setting up such wonderful and fun events for this year. Everyone has enjoyed them all.

Membership & Dues

April was a quiet month for Newcomers as members enjoyed a final chocolate bunny with family and friends. However, we were happy to welcome three new members:

Lori Demery - MA
Alice "Faye" Patterson - FL
Mirella Vercillo - PA

Welcome all!

Directory

The Newcomers' Directory is available on our website at www.newcomersgs.org. Feel free to take a selfie and download the picture or download one of your favorite pictures of yourself. It would be nice to see all of us beautiful ladies in the directory. Please check that your information is correct and let Connie Moffatt (Membership Chair) know if any corrections are needed.

NEWCOMERS SPONSOR HIGHLIGHTS

AVON – Kathy Foley - kathyavongoddess@gmail.com - www.your.avon.com/kathyfoley - 606-303-2687
PRE-SEASON LOWEST PRICE FOR SKIN SO SOFT BUG GUARD PRODUCTS AT MY TABLE AT OUR LAST MEETING! I am your Avon Lady! During summer break, remember my Avon order goes out EVERY OTHER SUNDAY EVENING! Enjoy the summer!

CANAM WOODWORKING – Linda Ludwik - CanAmWoodworking@gmail.com 404-357-4690
Handcrafted wood items: Cedar bluebird houses with a license plate roof, charcuterie boards, cheese slicers, wood trivets & more! Check out my table & visit us on Facebook! ***Bring me a license plate & I can customize your bird house! Spring is on the way!***

CARABELLA’S DECADENT DESSERTS – Carole Foley Bellacera – carolebella2001@yahoo.com – 703-475-1049
Decadent desserts of all kinds! Choose from my menu or contact me & I will do my best to make it for you! Stop by my table each month & taste my samples. Check out my Facebook page <https://facebook.com/CaraBellasDecadentDesserts>.

CAROLINA MASTER CHORALE – Peggy O’Neil - fponeil2416@yahoo.com - 843-213-1551 CMC office 843-444-5774 (9am-12pm)
The CMC wants to thank you for your support during the 2023-2024 season, looking forward to next season! Our final concerts of the season, American Heroes, were special concerts & well attended. Our new season will start again in Oct., info shared in July/August!

CJ’S JAMS, JELLIES & SALSA – Cathy Johnson – rckcathy5658@gmail.com – 336-467-9519
We make homemade jams, jellies, apple butter, sweet potato butter & pumpkin butter. Salsa, chowchow, pickled okra. In the fall and winter, we made breads! Great items for your everyday use & for gifts. I can do gift baskets, any size and any price!

CRAFTY CREATIONS – Lorraine David – lorrainescraftycreations@gmail.com – 917-337-7241
Crafty Creations offers handmade decoupage shells. Each shell consists of a white base, thin layers of paper and a high gloss finish with an edging of gold leaf. They come in different shapes & sizes and can be used as a jewelry dish, tabletop décor or a night light.

CREATIONS BY MERILYN – Marilyn Kearney – merilynk@gmail.com – 859-825-8726
On- of-a-kind Floral designs, including table arrangements, wreaths, baskets, and wall décor. Great as gifts or just for yourself! Stop by my table to see new items each month! ***Check out my Spring and Summer Arrangements!***

CUSTOM SHIRT ZONE – Jackie Miles - jackie.miles@customshirtzone.com – 336- 462-7365
Unique gifts for the beach or home. Embroidered Myrtle Beach beach towels, tote bags, fleece blankets & ‘Kiss the Cook’ aprons! Items for personal use, business & gift giving! Check out our website for more choices and call me today for customized gifts.

EARTHY THINGZ LLC – Nicole Sorrell – earthythingzllc@gmail.com – 843-267-5051
I make natural & organic soaps, lotion bars, whipped body butter, herbal oils, herbal teas & beeswax candles. Love the skin you’re in & make the rest of your life the BEST of your life! Stop at my table & see all the special items for you or gifts!

FABRIGAL CREATIONS – Dot Carrington - dotdoncarr@icloud.com - 843-796-2703

Quality hand-sewn items; handbags, tea bag holders, clutch bags, bowl cozies, microwave cooking cozies & fabric carry-all bags for the car or anywhere. Handbags and items to match! Many items are quilted, adding exceptional quality. *Custom orders too!*

HOME INSTEAD SENIOR CARE– Vicki Berg - vicki.berg@homeinstead.com - 843- 357-9777

Home Instead has passionate caregivers that provide quality care to our seniors in their home. Meal prep, personal care, light housekeeping, etc. Call or email with questions or concerns. *Make a difference in the life of a senior, we are hiring!*

JUICE PLUS+ – Daphne Trent – Certified Health Coach - daphnejuiceplus@gmail.com – 513-543-0147

Juice Plus is powdered produce & whole food based. It is vegan, non-GMO, gluten free & NFS Certified. *Juice Plus+ is the most researched nutritional product in the world.* It helps bridge the gap from what should eat & don't on a daily basis. Athletes use it!

JUST ONE – CB Eagan – Denise – cbedesigner@gmail.com – CB 203-640-0102, Denise 631-434-5884

Unique gifts for women & young adults: Purses, gloves, scarves, scents, famous “paintings” umbrellas & scarves. Inventory is always changing & no two meetings are alike “Just One”! Visit our table every month to see what's new and exciting!

L & S CREATIONS – Lori Demery – lbulak5@yahoo.com – 774-200-3768

I make sublimated products including steel tumblers, glass tumblers, spinners, slates, keychain magnets, crazy socks. I am always adding new products! I also take orders and can customize products!

MARY KAY Products – Pam Harrelson – www.marykay.com/pamharrelson 843-997-0577

Mary Kay Products offer innovative Skin Care, On trend Color, Pampering Bath and Body. Also, reasonable Jewelry & Accessories featuring Necklaces, Earrings, Rings & Bracelets to enhance your personal style. *Book your showing or Jewelry Trunk show today!*

MELLIROSE CREATES – Melanie Rosario – mellirosecreates@gmail.com 201-315-3952

Stainless Steel & Glass Cabochon, Jewelry, Custom Handwriting & Photo Pendants and Accessories. Allergen Safe and Hand Created. Check out our products for yourself or as a special gift for someone. *Made with Love always!*

MODERE – Barbara Gregory - Bgreg823@aol.com - 843-457-0026

Modere is a natural product company, in business for 35 years! *Live clean* with toothpaste, deodorant, soap, weight loss products, collagen products, probiotics and more. Start living a clean, chemical free life in **your** products today!

NEORA – Tammy Gartrell – tamgartrell@earthlink.net – tammygartrell.neora.com - 804-690-1465

Biomedical Anti-Aging Products. Vegan, Gluten Free all with plants. Face, Eye, Body Firming, Hair Systems, Gut Health, Weight Mgmt., Protein Powder. Helping people for 8 yrs. **New product just released, one of a kind! STOP BY MY TABLE FOR A FREE GIFT!**

ON THE EDGE DESIGNS – Tina Hanks – On theedgesigns@gmail.com 760-989-1567

A large variety of earrings, anklets, necklaces & bracelets. Many with Seashore theme. All earrings are available in clip-on or pierced and anklets are adjustable! *Stop by my table each month to see what's new for you or others!*

<p>PUM*KINS – Peggy Suggs – peggy.suggs@comcast.net – 843-742-5558 / 540-878-7712 Unique Handmade Items including Jewelry starting at \$1.00 (children’s jewelry) also sterling silver. Faux Floral Arrangements, Hand-Stenciled items, Molded Soaps, Bath Bombs & other Unique Gifts & Décor, Focus on Beach-themed items! I also do custom orders.</p>
<p>ROBIN McCall TOURS – Robin McCall – robininpi@gmail.com - 843-235-2966 Reasonable, specialty trips; one day and longer tours to local places and destinations abroad! Stop by my table for brochures of upcoming trips or for additional information. <i>Get some friends together or come alone & meet others, you will have a great time!</i></p>
<p>SENIOR ADVENTURES in LEARNING and TRAVEL (SALT) LLC. – Kelli Barker - Kelli – wnsalt22@gmail.com, Carol Osborne, carolosbornesalt@gmail.com – 843-503-2592. Local day trips, regional overnights & a large variety of national & international travel opportunities. <i>Keep your mind active and your social calendar full with online and in-person classes, dining & discussion clubs.</i></p>
<p>TASTFULLY SIMPLE –Diane Becker – dianebecker58546@gmail.com – 412-269-7788 Our products take only 1-2 ingredients to make allowing <i>less time in the kitchen making cooking easy!</i> Meal kits include oil, spices, vinegar, glazes, salsa & more! Cake, bread mixes & drink mixers.</p>
<p>THE LAW OFFICE OF APRYL HADEN – Crystal Geldes – crystal@AprylHadenLaw.com 843-798-7315 “Trusted Counsel for Lifes Milestones” All aspects of Estate Planning (Trusts, Wills, Power of Attorneys, Life Estates, etc.), Everything you need to secure your legacy, Business Law, Entity formation, Real Estate, Deed Transfers. <i>We offer Free Consultations</i></p>
<p>THIRTY-ONE GIFTS – Stephanie C. Bushong – mythirtyone.com/scbushong – 843-251-5573 Thirty-one is so much more than <i>gifts</i>; there are great <i>organization items</i> for everyone that make transporting or managing items easier. Check out the best- selling, amazing medium and large tote bags to carry groceries, items to parties or just about anything!</p>
<p>T-REX COMPUTERS – Chuck Walker – cswalker001@gmail.com – 843-424-4836 <i>Technical services on-site, remotely & in shop</i> to resolve issues with Windows or Mac operating systems, hardware issues, printers, updating virus protection, etc. Refurbished items reasonable. I can pick-up your computer, you can bring your laptop to Newcomers</p>
<p>TRICIA’S TRINKETS – Tricia Laitinen – tricialadybug67@gmail.com – 860-214-6687 A collection of handmade gifts that differ month to month specifically around holiday events! Handmade greeting cards for all occasions and special events. Special orders upon request.</p>
<p>WHIMSICAL WEAVERS – Suzanne Sharp/Heidi Bernard – suz0430@aol.com / hb2turtle@gmail.com – 860-670-4437/860-916-7814 Amazing & usable ‘Pine Needle Art’ using natural items to create one-of-a-kind baskets, etc. A Native American craft practiced by many tribes & learned by us to hand-make each designer item. <i>Custom pieces using your old jewelry, belts, etc. Great gift items!</i></p>



***SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!! STAY SAFE,
HEALTHY AND ENJOY TIME WITH YOUR
LOVED ONES!***