



COLONY NEWS

A Weekly Newsletter for Members and Staff of Meredith Bay Colony Club

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RED GALLAGHER PERFORMS IN THE BISTRO LAST FRIDAY!



Not a typical afternoon in The Bistro!

One of the wonderful things about being new is that we are not held captive to our own traditions and can experiment both freely and often. Routines have their place – but so does spontaneity and variety! Just yesterday a Member asked about whether we could have a Beer Tasting – and while I have no idea how many people might be interested – I know that without question or reservation that we should give it a try. I've

asked our Executive Councilor Ray Burton for a little help in being sure that we can get any needed Liquor Commission Approvals. (the rules are very different for someone coming from the outside). Keep those ideas coming!

MOVIE TONIGHT! 7:30p in the 1st FLOOR COMMUNITY ROOM!

BRINGING UP BABY ---- Featuring Cary Grant and Katherine Hepburn.

Did anybody notice my mistake last week that listed John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara as being in The Music Man?

WHAT STATE IS THE BEST TO RETIRE IN?

No. 1: New Hampshire



Economic factors: Cost of living is 89 percent of the national average, unemployment is at 5.8 percent, and the average state and local tax burden is 7.6 percent.

Climate: Average monthly temperatures range from 18.17 degrees in January to 67.83 degrees in July.

Crime rate: 48th in the nation in violent crime, 48th in property crime.

Life expectancy: 78.3 years

Reason for high rank: For the frugal New Englander in you, New Hampshire's cost of living and tax burden are among the lowest in the U.S. Crime is also low, and life expectancy high. Just bring plenty of sensible clothes, because climate was the one criteria on which New Hampshire did not score well. #2 was Hawaii (no surprise) and #3 was South Dakota! (special thanks to Bob P. for sharing this)

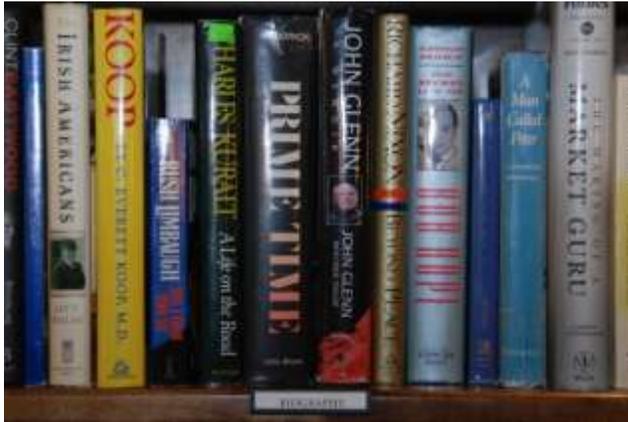
DID YOU KNOW?

UNUSUAL DATES: This year we are going to experience four unusual dates: 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11 and 11/11/11

Take the last two digits of the year in which you were born. To that add the age that you will be this year. If your math skills are good your answer will be 111!

This year October will have 5 Sundays, 5 Mondays and 5 Saturdays. This only happens every 823 years (Once again thanks to Bob P.)

MBCC BOOK CLUB? Tues April 5th @ 2p



Join us to find out more about the possibility of starting our own Book Club. We will be holding an information Meeting on Tuesday April 5th at 2p Library Meeting Room. At this meeting we will discuss which day/time is the most convenient along with how you would like the club to function. No previous book club experience needed – first timers

are encouraged to stop in and find out more. Refreshments will be provided! Did you know that you don't need to buy the books? With thanks to inter-library loans we can get all the copies that we need!

MEREDITH BAY MEMBER LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES...



Following up on last month's very successful talk by Rusty McLear we will now look forward to welcoming Barbara Zeckhausen who as Chair of the Winnepesaukee Playhouse will bring us up to date on what is happening just down the street from us. The Winn-Playhouse is creating a wonderful theatrical campus on the former Annalee property that they have purchased. She will be with us on Tuesday April 12th at 1:30p.

If there are other people, programs or projects that you would like to hear about --- it's never too early to start making plans

DAILY MENUS ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK!

Now you see what is for Dinner each day on your computer! Just ask and we will show you how!

THIS AND THAT.....

THIS NEWSLETTER IS NOW ON OUR WEBSITE!: This will make it much easier for you share what is going on with your family and friends --- just suggest to them that they go to our website and click on the Newsletter button

WINEGLASS MISSING FROM CUBBIE! This is mystery in need of resolution. Please be sure to see me if this is something you can shed a little light on!

NEWS FROM THE BAY! Our 'outside' or marketing newsletter also went out by email today – but a printed copy should have accompanied this Colony News. Both are also available on our Website.

HALLWAY ART UPDATE: The rumor that all Members are going to be required to contribute to purchase art is of course false. But here is the rest of story from which I expect that the rumor originated. One of our 'Neighborhoods' on the 3rd floor is comprised of the six apartments located on the Hallway leading to The INN. The Members of that Neighborhood got together on their own to request if they might be allowed to do a special project of their own design and planning. That approval has been given and at some point in the future we will all be treated to the results of that plan. There is absolutely no expectation that other Neighborhoods do anything at all – much less what this Neighborhood has chosen. If your Neighborhood wants to do something --- and I for one would like to see each Neighborhood take a different approach – there are just a couple of guidelines: First – Everyone in your Neighborhood needs to agree ---- and secondly, whatever is proposed does need to be reviewed and approved.

CLOSING NOTES.....

At 1:46 this afternoon I sent an email to Executive Councilor Burton asking for some direction about how best to deal with regulatory issues about a possible Beer Tasting. At 2:22 this afternoon I get an email back saying that he had spoken with the Chair of the Liquor Commission and that arrangements will be made. I had told Councilor Burton that with all that is going on around the State and that this was such a small issue that we would understand if he could not address it. We do live in a wonderful state where our elected officials really do care and none are more attentive than Councilor Burton! Thank You!

While it might be too early to say for certain --- it appears that the April Fools Blizzard was a Bust! Even those of us who love snow are not disappointed!

That's it for this week -----

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