



COLONY NEWS

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YVETTE'S HOLIDAY CREATIONS!!!!



Our Member Yvette Hajdukiewiez is one very talented and creative



person! If you haven't already done so – be sure to stop by the Granite Dining Room to see the wonderful new Napkin Rings that Yvette has designed and with the assistance of other Members has made enough to outfit the entire Dining Room. Thank You Yvette and all who helped! Each one is an individual work of art! This is a great example of where form and

function come together perfectly!



SHOWING YOUR CHRISTMAS AND HOLIDAY SPIRIT!!!!

From Member John Eaton:

“Remember the 1950’s when towns had Christmas decorating contests, often sponsored by the electric company to increase electricity usage? The more lights, the better the display. How things have changed! But we can still have a contest here at MBCC. Many of us decorate our doorways for the Holidays, so why not ask our Housekeeping Staff to choose the best of our creation. Contest decorating is limited to the entranceway of our Suites. And in contrast to the contests of old, no lights please. (there might be room for an exception for battery operated lights) The judging will take place on Thursday December 8th and token prizes will be awarded at our Christmas Party on Friday December 9th.”

And for The INN & GARDENS Diane is taking the lead in putting together a separate contest and would welcome the help of Volunteers to lend a hand!

20th ANNUAL MEREDITH ROTARY CLUB SENIOR CITIZEN CHRISTMAS DINNER

Sunday December 4th, 2011 at 12 Noon @ Inter-Lakes Elementary School

Reservations are Necessary and Should Be Made ASAP but no later than Thursday December 1, 2011

This event routinely ‘sells out’ so don’t delay in calling 279-7600 to make your reservation.

Did I tell you that the Dinner is prepared by HARTS and that there is NO CHARGE?

VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS/CONCIERGES NEEDED!

The Holidays are here and with them comes a significantly increased number of first time visitors – including on Saturdays and Sundays when we do not have Naella at the front door. We would like to take a look at putting together a team of Member Volunteers who would cover that front desk on weekends. We thought that the most critical hours would be between 10 and 2. We haven't worked out all the details yet but we do know that we are not looking for our Volunteers to be leading tours --- Being at the front desk to meet and greet is more than enough to do. (and yes you can bring your book and your knitting). We also want to show our appreciation by providing a free lunch but have to figure out how best to do that to include those who have asked for shorter 'shifts'. Your ideas and your suggestions are encouraged! Please let us know if you are interested in finding out more!



STAFF APPRECIATION FUND DONATIONS.....

Donations to the Staff Appreciation Fund are received throughout the year and are distributed to Staff before Christmas. While no definite cut-off date has been set -- donations that are received after that will be carried over to the next year. I mention only because if you want your donation to be part of this year's distribution you might want to consider donating sooner instead of later. A change this year will be the inclusion of those who are technically not Staff because they work as independent contractors (Beauty Shop etc..).

I know that I can speak on behalf of all our Staff in telling you how much of a pleasure it is to work with you!

Dining Services



and the Sap House Meadery

present

A Four Course Mead Dinner

Thursday December 8, 2011 At 6pm

Only \$25/ per person

Reservations Required



Featuring

Autumn Salad

*Baby Greens with Sliced Pear, Candied Pecans and Great Hill Blue Cheese
Tossed in a Hopped Blueberry Mead Vinaigrette*

Pan Seared Atlantic Salmon

With Sweet Potato and Sea Scallop Hash and a Maple Mead Hollandaise

Slow Braised Lamb Shank

*Tender Lamb Shanks with Fall Vegetables and a Cranberry Sage Mead Demi Glace
Served with Sun Dried Cranberry and Goat Cheese Risotto*

Bananas Foster

*Caramelized Bananas with Brown Sugar and Vanilla Bean Mead Served with
Pumpkin Raisin French Toast*

A Sample of all Meads Will Be Served With Each Course!

CLUB MEMBER BIRTHDAYS COMING OUR WAY:

November 26th Marjorie Maher
November 30th Vince Durnan
November 30th Ann Thomsen



MOVIE FRIDAY NIGHT: FUNNY FACE

Friday at 7:30 p in the First Floor Community Room

A perennial favorite starring Fred Astaire and Audry Hepburn singing and dancing to George Gershwin's tunes. Why not 'Come on down' and check out Friday Night at the Movies!



COCKTAIL & DANCE PARTY ON THURSDAY DECEMBER 1ST



Kurt and Diane have joined forces to bring to you a MBCC First --- Cocktail/Dance Party in the Bistro and beginning at 7p featuring that Dynamic New Musical Duo called 'LANI TUNES'. You can bring the beverage of your choice and Kurt will provide the mixes. This will only be an hour or so event so be sure to plan on getting there earl



This year we are hoping to share our holiday joys with the youth-boys and girls- at Spaulding Youth Center in Northfield. Spaulding has been active in helping boys- and more recently girls- who have troubles adjusting to life due to autism and other related learning problems.

Now we have an opportunity to bring Christmas happiness to them in the way of gifts of hats, scarves, and gloves.

Also, gifts of money are appreciated so that the staff can buy that special gift for that special student.

Gifts can be left with Naella or given to Carolyn for safe keeping until Dec. 9th when they will be received with joy by Spaulding staff. Thank you one and all for helping MBCC with its Christmas Sharing.

Raffle Tickets



50 cents 3 for a dollar

Snowman Raffle

Raffle tickets are ready for sale for the Howard Chandler Special.

Howie has made a wonderful snowman to hang in your window, in your living room, or anyplace to give special unusual decoration for the holidays.

Raffle tickets are available at Naella's desk or you can buy them when a neighbor comes to your door.

They are 50 cents a piece or three for a dollar.

The winning ticket will be pulled on December 9th during the party.

Money from the raffle will be given to Spaulding Youth Center to share with the boys and girls there at Christmas.

CLOSING NOTES.....

Christmas Party December 9th:

Save the date for an afternoon Party in the Bistro! Details to follow.

New on Facebook: Check out the Thanksgiving Decorations Photos

Newspaper Alert: Please be sure to return the Union Leader

and the Sunday News to the CLUB HUB --- It should be there even until the next day in order for all who would like to read it to have the opportunity.



It has been a very busy day before Thanksgiving around here! We had 3 separate tours along with the weather to contend with. I apologize for the abbreviated version of the Newsletter --- but sometimes getting something out is better than nothing at all. Most Importantly I didn't want to miss taking the opportunity to wishing each of you a very Special and a very Happy Thanksgiving!

Please Please Please be sure to be extra careful when you are out walking here or away - ---- the snow melts, it freezes, it melts and then it freezes all over again making walking a sometime treacherous experience.

Best Wishes for a Wonderful Thanksgiving!



Howie