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PRESIDENT FRANS KUIPERS



There are fifty-one members involved in arranging, coordinating and expecting the many great activities sponsored by the BNC. If you like having great friends and good friendships, then get involved. Bake something, or find a good bakery and tell them you baked it

(Hey, I do it all the time!) Join in the fun! You don't have to do a lot to help out. It can even be therapeutic. (Join the travel committee and follow Ron's conversation for ten minutes and you will have really exercised those brain cells.

Alzheimer's? No worries. :)

Speaking of fun, we had a great time in the rain at the picnic. Fifty-plus members had lunch in a Volkswagen bus. You really get to know people when you're that close. I think we set a Guinness Book record. And how about those Bucks! (You see, to really know what happened you had to be there).

OK, so get out those calendars and mark them up with Wine Tasting, Bowling, Cocktails for Ten, Lunch (Boundary House, mmmmm... that's in my best Bart Simpson impression) and South Pacific. Also, all you single women out there, Cathy Richard (457-5381) and her singles group are just getting started, now is the time to join your friends. On a more serious note, if you know of any newcomers who could use some cheer please contact Mercedes Evans of the Sunshine Committee.

Frans

NEXT BNC MEETING – Oct.21, 2009

Coffee/Activity Signup - 9:30 a.m.

Meeting - 10:00 a.m.

Southport Community Center

Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month

Last Months Meeting



Here is the web site you can use if you missed picking up the Hurricane Preparedness Handouts provided by our speaker Scott Garner.

Brunswick Emergency Services www.brunswickes.com

This Month's Meeting

The October meeting will feature a Musette Steck from the Cape Fear Museum. The topic, "Cape Fear 101", will be some basic history and information about this



region. Check them out at www.capefearmuseum.com or for information about programs phone: 910-798-4350

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MEMBERSHIP

IT'S TIME FOR BNC DUES FOR 2009/2010!!!

Join as a new member or renew your membership now by downloading the form on the BNC website, and writing a check payable to BNC. The dues are \$10 per person. You may leave your check in the basket on Cindi Neumann's porch, 3510 Members Club Blvd., St. James, mail it to her at 3510 Members Club Blvd., Southport, NC 28461, or bring it to the next BNC general meeting on October 21st. If you have any questions you can e-mail her at cindi91048@aol.com or call her at 253-9819.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, Oct 21..... Membership Meeting
Thursday, Oct 22.....Cocktails for Ten
Friday, Oct 30.....Wine Tasting
Wednesday, Nov 18.....Membership Meeting
Nov 21 Colored Pin Bowling
Friday, Dec 11.....Wine Tasting

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Wine Tasting:

Pam & John McGorry
Carolyn & Paul Foster
John Bourque
Becky Trieff
Tom Cerniglia



Helenea Grace
Bill & Cynthia Young
Don & Janice Cunningham

Lunch Bunch:

Ann & Jim Gallman
Cate & Bill Ving
Lorraine & Mike
Hammond
John Bourque
Becky Trieff
Kathy & John Elms
Deb & Kevin Holly
Dennis & Mary Marks
Bill & Judy Petterson
Tom & Julie Reuter



Social:

Carol Nord
Kathy & John Elms
Cheryl & Don McGuire
Barbara Edwards
Jean Sessa



Travel:

Ron Gilbert
Rick Sessa
Mary Couvillon
Rich Kunzier
Diane Cini



Sailing:

Tom and Bev Delmora



Singles:

Cathy Richard





WINE TASTINGS

October 30 is the date of the kick-off for one of our clubs most popular activities. "Wine Tasting" is a great way to learn about the fascinating world of wine, while meeting with old and new friends to share a giggle or two.

Reasonably priced wines and the foods they complement will be on the menu as we sample 4 red and 4 white wines that are centered on a particular theme or geographic area.

On Friday October 30th we will be sampling wines from the Beaujolais region of France. On Friday December 11th the sampled wines will be a selection of Italian wines appropriate for holiday meals and festivities. Both evenings will start at 7pm when a dozen or so members gather at the home of a volunteer host. We are always looking for hosts. Hosting is easy because the Committee shows up with all the wine and food plus (new this year) a committee member to lead the discussion.

The dates are:

Friday, October 30th

(Cut off for sign up or cancellation is Wednesday, Oct. 21st)

Friday, December 11th (Delayed by Thanksgiving)

(Cut off for sign up or cancellation is Wednesday 12/2nd)

Friday, January 29th

(Cut off for sign up or cancellation is Wednesday 1/20th)

Friday, February 26th

Friday, March 26th

Friday, April 30th

The cost is \$15 per person.

Sign up at the monthly meeting or mail your check (payable to BNC) to Bill and Cyn Young, 3180 Wexford Way, Southport, 28461. Phone: (908)797-8563. Please provide your name(s), date desired, e-mail, and phone number. We will e-mail you with the name of your host and directions to their house. Any questions contact: Carolyn Foster 910-253-3515 (cclark@ec.rr.com), or John McGorry 910-269-4031 (jmcgorry@aol.com).

TRAVEL COMMITTEE

Brookgreen Gardens Outing

By the time most of you get this newsletter, BNC Members will have traveled to this National Historic Landmark.

The October 12th trip to Brookgreen Gardens included a one hour walking guided tour, a narrated excursion boat ride, and free time to stroll the gardens and sculptures. Dinner was served at Villa Romana restaurant in Myrtle Beach.



"No, I'm not sure whether the alligator ate George Or George ate the alligator"

South Pacific

The November 5th trip is also almost sold out. It includes: Circle or Orchestra center seats; Round trip bus transportation from Southport to Raleigh; Buffet Breakfast at the Mad Boar in Wallace and a dinner at Bogart's in Raleigh. BNC Member Price Only \$120 per person. A stunning reinvention produced by Lincoln Center Theater, South Pacific swept the 2008 Tony Awards, winning seven honors including Best Musical Revival. As your newsletter went to press only a few seats remained. Please contact: Rick Sessa at 253-4567 or Mary Couvillon at 754-3927



The September Meeting.....



SOCIAL COMMITTEE

KICK OFF PICNIC

The Kick-off Picnic was a success in spite of rain. Fifty-seven people endured the weather and huddled under the pavilion roof for an enjoyable afternoon of good food and fellowship.

COMING EVENTS

COCKTAILS FOR TEN – OCTOBER 22:

The last day to sign up for this event: Thursday October 8. Call Jean Sessa (253-4567) or Barbara Edwards (253-6933). Hosts are still needed. **No cost**, but each couple is asked to bring a heavy hors d'oeuvre to share and beverage of choice. Hosts will contact participants with details.

COLORED PIN BOWLING Nov. 21

Little River Lanes, Little River, SC. \$18.00 Includes 3 games of bowling, shoes, pizza, soft drinks, and prizes. Sign up at next BNC meeting or drop check (payable to BNC) off at 4137 Winthrop Cir., Southport, NC 28461. Call Carol Nord (253-4297) for more information.

TRIVIA NIGHT/DINNER – January 18, 2010

Southport Community Center: Cost is \$20.00. Must sign up at November BNC Meeting. For information call Cheryl or Don McGuire (253 0482).



Thanks to Hospitality Committee Chair Pat and Richard Kunzier and All Those Who Made the Great Treats

LUNCH BUNCH COMMITTEE

BOUNDARY HOUSE, CALABASH-NOV. 4

The Boundary House offers Casual Dining in a relaxed atmosphere. The restaurant is located in Calabash near Callahan's. We will be accepting reservations at the October meeting. Drop off baskets will be located at the homes of Ann Gallman at 3792 Worthington Place, and Debra Holly at 2787 Westree Circle in St. James. If you must cancel, please contact Mary Marks at (910) 457-9990. Cancellations after October 28th are non-refundable. Cost of the luncheon is \$16.00 per person, which includes your choice of entrée, dessert, and coffee, hot/iced tea, or soft drink. Tax and gratuity are also included. A cash bar will be available beginning at 11:30 and lunch will be served at noon.

Entrée choices:

- *Prime Rib Sandwich with French Fries*
- *Chicken and Broccoli Pasta w/Garlic Toast*
- *Broiled Salmon Salad (Fresh Atlantic Salmon, Mushrooms, Chopped Tomatoes, Water chestnuts and Scallions over Mixed greens). Choice of dressing, and served with fresh baked croissant.*
- *Monte Cristo Sandwich (Ham, Turkey and Melted cheese). Served with Raspberry Preserves and a side Boundary House Salad.*

Dessert choices:

- *Key Lime Parfait*
- *Vanilla Ice Cream with raspberry or chocolate sauce*

Directions: Highway 211 to US17 South (left at light). Go south for 17.7 miles. Turn LEFT onto Thomasboro Road (traffic signal) and continue for 3.6 miles. Turn RIGHT (end of road) onto Beach Drive and make an immediate LEFT at the light onto River Road. Restaurant and parking lot are on the left. Ph#:910-579-8888.

The Lunch Bunch will have luncheons on January 6, 2010 where we tentatively will be going to the Brentwood restaurant, February 3rd, March 3rd, April 7th, and May 5th.

OTHER STUFF

Singles

Singles Chair Cathy Richard reports she is trying to organize a Bunco Group. Bunco is a simple dice game that requires no experience. Cathy says it will be a great way for other BNC single women to meet each

other. Her email is:

ncbeachcat@yahoo.com



Kathy Richard
Singles Chair



Sunshine Committee

Mercedes Evans is in charge of our Sunshine Committee. If you know of someone who would appreciate hearing from the club please call her at 454-4423.



Mercedes Evans
Sunshine Chair

Brunswick Newcomers Club website –

The website address is brunswicknewcomers.com. The membership directory is password protected. The password is available from any Board member or by e-mailing the webmaster (a link to her e-mail is at the bottom of every page



Susanne Melendez
Web Master

Calendar Of Events –



John Bourque
Activities Chair

A reminder: If your Committee has scheduled an event it should be placed on the BNC Calendar. Or if something is happening in your community which is likely to attract a number of our members, that too should go on the calendar so committees can avoid a conflict. Email the information to John Bourque at JohnBeJohn@bellsouth.net.



President Frans and the October Lunch Bunch
At Bridge Tenders Restaurant

Editor's Corner



Don Cunningham
Newsletter Editor

Last month your editor received a little flack from our esteemed El President, Frans, about the photo that was used to illustrate his Remarks column that leads off each issue of our Newsletter. Seems he wanted a little more hair on the top. Not able to obtain the picture of Frans and his dreadlocks (which according to a reliable source he wore at

Woodstock) we did the best with what we had at hand. Never-the-less, he is the honcho, the big cheese, the boss, and of course we aim to please and hope y'all will join in as we have a little fun at the October (it is Halloween after all) meeting and give Frans the head of hair he so richly deserves and sorely misses. If you'd like to practice ahead of time, get out your favorite pen or pencil and see what you can do with the following.



**Clip Your Artistic Endeavor...Put Your Name On Back ...
Bring To The Meeting... Win a Prize**