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This is one celebration where we all look forwards and not backwards. Think about it. Chanukah, Christmas, Thanksgiving, 4th of July etc., all celebrate history and remind us of past events, where New Year celebrates not the past but the upcoming year with an air of optimism. A NEW year, NEW beginnings, a NEW President and Cabinet, and hopefully a NEW direction for our economy. On a more local note, A NEW newsletter layout is being worked out, a NEW staff format and on a 'lighter' note, a NEW rug coming in the sitting room at the Center (Tentatively arriving in mid-January with installation to be arranged.) The most obvious difference in the NEW year is no Bonnie! Since Bonnie worked on the

newsletter until she left for Florida Nov. 30th, her farewell letter and comments went in from her directly. As to the rest of us, we said goodbye to her personally with cards, gifts, and luncheons. And the B.O.D. and members presented her with a gift at the Dec. membership meeting. Then the pinochle card group (also known as the 'nut group') threw a pizza party and gave her what she has been trying to win in every raffle for the past two years.....a Robert Hastie framed painting! Bonnie came to us in March, 2007 and she will readily admit, didn't have a clue what she was getting herself into. But she met all challenges and situa-

tions competently and graciously and in doing so made many friends among us. She did a great job keeping the Center running and we all look forward to seeing her back in Wells in the Summer. As she said, "I'll be back to visit". I hope she means it. The next major change is, of course, the NEW office manager, Susan Franklin, or Suzi as she prefers to be called. Suzi is full-time in the front office so be sure to introduce yourselves when you come in. It will be a bit overwhelming for her in the beginning with hundreds of us to remember and only one of her for us to remember. But as they say, "This too will pass" (Cont. on page 4)

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NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

A very Happy New Year from everyone here at the office.
 We are looking forward to 2009. We plan to have a very full schedule, with interesting programs & activities and trips.
 We hope to see a good number of our members taking advantage of the
 "Place Where Seniors Shine"
The Wells/Ogunquit Senior Center is our special place.

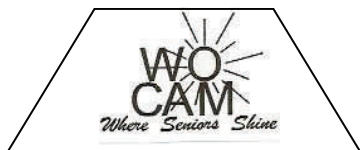
Mission Statement

To Promote the well being Of Senior Citizens in Wells And Ogunquit, regardless of Sex, creed, race, religion, or The ability to pay.

What's Up At The Center ?

The Center will be closed Dec.31st @ noon, New Years Day, Jan.1st, and MLK Day, Jan.19th. Please drive safe, winter is here!! Tune in to Channel 6 or 13 for school cancellations due to inclement weather as the Center will also be closed.

As you read your newsletter this month, you will notice some changes. We are using a different program, going from Print Shop to Publisher. This is a learning process for Sheena & I, so if there is something amiss with this issue, we apologize in advance. You will need to check the calendar for our daily schedule. Our January Events will be listed on the What's Up Page and on the calendar. Don't forget to visit our Gift Shop: Open 9am-4pm M-F. It's our best kept secret!!



What's Up in January?

Board Of Directors

Chairperson: Frank Wolfgang (11)
 Vice Chair: Jim Nadeau (09)
 Secretary: Paul Weiner (10)

Directors At Large

Ron Allen (11)
 John Graves (11)
 George E. Wilson (09)
 Past Pres. Kathy Chase
 Treasurer.....Ron Allen
 Assistant Treasurer..... June Messier

Combined Member/BOD

**Meeting Tuesday, Jan.13th @
 4pm-6pm**

There are vacancies on the BOD. If you are interested in serving, please contact Frank Wolfgang @ 207-646-1868

Office Staff

Office Manager: Suzi Franklin
 Office Asst: Doris Hanlon
 Activities & Newsletter Staff:
 Sheena Allara.....Marie Hastie
 Website: Bob Bussiere
 Coffee Shop: Ruth Woodward

Jan.: 3rd



Warming Days: 9am—4pm Movie—
 Light Lunch
 David Hollis on Piano after lunch

Jan.: 10th



9am—4pm Movie-Light Lunch
 Tony Cusimano-Fun Bingo-
 (no money, Play for Prizes)

Jan.: 17th



9am—4pm Movie— Light Lunch
 Marie & Bob Hastie— Karaoke
 Bob Hastie- Marker Art Open Class

Jan.: 24th



9am—4pm Movie-Light Lunch
 Suzi Franklin— Painting with Suzi

Jan.: 26th

@ noon



Atia Luncheon: See menu on page 7

Jan.: 30th



Kathy Davison: Will conduct a testing for a part-time job for the US Census. If you are interested all the information will be posted @ the Center .

Jan.: 31st




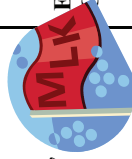
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NEW !! CHECK IT OUT

Line dancing has been added to our schedule on Thursday

January 2009

NEW !! READ ALL ABOUT IT IN OUR NEWSLETTER DAY OF WARMING ON SAT.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4 Closed	5 Yoga 9:30 am Scrabble 1-3 pm Marker Art 1-3 pm	6 Bowling 10 am Exercise 10:30am Chicago Bridge 1-3pm Mahjong 1-3pm	7 Exercise 10:30am Craft Shop 1-3pm Cribbage 1:30 pm Game Night 5 pm	8 Closed  Coffee Club 9-11am Ask the Nurse 10am Exercise 10:30am Line Dancing 1-2:30pm Duplicate Bridge 1-4	9 Pinochle 10am-12pm Hand & Foot 1-3pm	10 New! Day of Warming 9am-4pm Lunch & Entertainment
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“Happy New Year” cont. from pge. 1

Suzi is a transplant like most of us (note: I didn't say all of us as I'm aware of you Mainiacs who are originals!) She was born in Worcester, Mass, and lived in Mass and New Jersey before settling in Pennsylvania to raise her family. She has been a resident of Wells for 20 years and previously was a summer visitor. She has two sisters and a brother, and has already recruited her sister Linda, who presently lives with her, to volunteer at the Center. (I noticed Linda serving the Huntington Common luncheon with Chef Roger last month) Suzi's son and daughter have given her three grandchildren so she is kept busy. In her free time she enjoys painting and teaches decorative painting when

she isn't enjoying her other passion, baking and cooking. Hopefully she'll participate in some of our pot luck dinners or donate desserts so that we can get a chance to test her recipes. She has also promised us a donated painting for our next raffle in the Spring. Next on Staff, we have Doris. Doris will continue to do what Doris does best. She'll be at the front desk (or in the Activity Office) every Wednesday making us all feel like we are her best friend. She'll still be assistant to the office manager but will also assist with activities and trips just like before. Marie Hastie is back but working out of the activity/newsletter office i.e. the former foot care room or conference room. Marie will be available here Mon. and Tues. from 9am to 4pm. Please pass on your info. for the newsletter e.g. sickness, new arrivals, etc. We also welcome com-

ments, information, suggestions, or compliments (note I didn't mention complaints, criticism or insults!) pertaining to the newsletter or activities. Marie and myself will be responsible for the newsletter but we do want to hear all of the above because it is YOUR newsletter. We only assemble it. I, Sheena, will have flexible hours but will be working on the newsletter and activities as always, and as always, I'll be in and out almost every day but Friday for sure. And then there is Ruth. We have said 'goodbye' more than once to Ruth but are grateful that she is still here making coffee and answering the phone etc. So that's all folks. That's what's NEW in the NEW YEAR.



+ *Nine for Nine Raffle Results*

As planned, we drew the raffle prizes on Saturday, Dec. 6th 2008 at the pancake breakfast. The winners were, Sylvia Cable, Marlie Phillips, Doris Hanlon, Ellen Aromando, Lucy McDonald, Arthur McGinn, Lorraine Moulton, Sue Olsson, Bob Hamlyn, and Bea Besozzi. Thank you to all who participated in the raffle. We raised a total of \$682. and made ten people very happy. Sue Olsson came in to collect her prize and became a new member, Lorraine Moulton donated back to the bus trip a gift certificate to be used as a bingo prize, and Bea Besozzi will be back from Florida in the Spring ready to buy dozens of raffle tickets since she did so well winning this year. Congratulations and thank you to winners and losers for helping your Senior Center.

Clynk and Hannaford's

You have all been very diligent in getting your returnables to Hannaford's during November, and the results are in....A check for \$225.34. In the past we have collected during the tourist months of July, August or September so have reaped the rewards of tourist support in our bottle drive. We are hoping to have a more lucrative month in 2009 but in the meantime, thank you for your contributions and support .

Happy Anniversary

Jackie & Frank Millett..... Jan.14
 Julie & Harry Stathoplos.. Jan.17
 Roberta & Frank Parillo..... Jan.18
 Kathy & Butch Chase..... Jan.20
 Barbara & Francis Redfern..... Jan.23
 Jeannine & Jack Fallon..... Jan.28
 Dorothy & Norman Wilkinson Jan.31



Welcome

New Members

Leanne Cusimano
 Linda Lawrence
 Beverly & Donald Link Jr.
 Sue & William Olsson
 Barbara Wood

Congratulation

To Frank & Pam Wolfgang on the birth of their brand new grandson:

Brady Legault born on 12/09/08 , 9 lb 2 oz

Proud parents are Jennifer & Marty Legault of Syracuse,NY

To Elwyn & Rose Morrow on the birth of their great granddaughter

Catherine Nicole Morrow born 11-23-08 8lb 6oz

Proud parents are Jennifer & Scott Morrow of Ma.

Happy Birthday

Sylvia Harkins	Jan.1	Sophie George	Jan. 10	Elaine Coggins	Jan. 18	Nancy MacGown	Jan.30
Bob Hastie	Jan.1	Jane Philbrick	Jan.10	Margaret Briand	Jan.18	Arlene Kenny	Jan.30
Lois Erskine	Jan.3	Betty Dusseault	Jan.11	Roland MacGown	Jan.18	Larry Cable	Jan.30
Elizabeth Tremblay	Jan.3	Ray Wiggins	Jan.12	Marilyn Korman	Jan. 19	Diana Abbott	Jan.31
Hazel Paiva	Jan.4	Leila Moore	Jan.12	Laurel Goodwin	Jan.19	Sharon Lopez	Jan.31
George Wilson	Jan 4	Natalie Hakanson	Jan.12	Evelynne Soucy	Jan.20	Virginia Noble	Jan.31
John Anderson	Jan.4	John Hirschauer	Jan 12	Evie Chase	Jan.20		
Diane Anderson	Jan.5	Geraldine Paradis	Jan.12	Lee Oliver	Jan.23		
Eleanor Caffrey	Jan.6	Bunny Freedman	Jan.14	Paul Mason	Jan.23		
Arlene McGrath	Jan.6	Doug Erskine	Jan.14	Jane DiPietro/Purpura	Jan.26		
Dave Khan	Jan.7	Gertrude O'Connell	Jan.15	Wanda Vance	Jan.26		
Emile Bedard	Jan.8	Jerry Juneau	Jan.16	Anne LaRochele	Jan.28		
Butch Chase	Jan.9	Russell Nichols	Jan.17	Bernie Stein	Jan. 29		
Joy Cronin	Jan.10	Mickey Murach	Jan.17				



Walk Safely! No Slipping!

No Falling!

Order your Ice Walkers here

We have a sign up sheet @ the Center Cost: \$21.



Choice of colors

Black

Royal Blue Jelly

Wild Berry Jelly

Pink Orange Jelly

Order next larger size for use over boots or heavy sneakers



A big thank you to Karen Darling (who is always looking for the right Christmas present for her mom) Marjorie Matson.

Karen gave the Center a generous donation in her mom's name at Christmas as her present. What a thoughtful idea!

Bob & Joy Archibald also deserve special thanks for their donation to the music fund for the Day of Warming in loving memory

Ellie Carberry

GET WELL

If you know of someone who is under the weather, would you let the office know about them. We don't always get the information.

Those members would appreciate a card or call.

Lillian Chutsky had an knee operation while she was visiting in Austin,Tx . She should be recuperating at her home in Wells.

Billy's ChowderHouse

on Dec. 10th, 2008

The Varano Family has done it again! Those of us who were at the dinner can attest to that. We had the front room and the bar/marshside room all decorated for the holidays and Dick and Sherri Varano along with Chris, Dick's brother, and his Dad, Victor, made us all welcome from 4:30pm until we left with 'doggie bags' after a wonderful evening. We began the evening with a huge selection of appetizers which quickly became an

entrée buffet including salad, chowder, veggies, pasta, potatoes, rice, meat and lots of things I never got to taste. The dessert was to die for with assorted pastries, pies, cheesecakes and lots of things with lots of calories. It wasn't enough that we were given a typical Italian style meal (more than we could ever eat!). The Varanos went one better. They knew that we had a busload leaving for Chicopee, Mass. the following day and sent us home with individual

desserts in boxes with plastic forks to serve on our Thursday bus trip. It was a wonderful evening and the donations of \$20. per person were given to the Center. A drum roll please.....a total of \$2,200.00 was collected and donated by the Varano Family.

Dick and Sherri Varano, Family and staff outdid themselves and we are forever grateful to all of them. The only thing I had to do was promise that the Cribbage Group would let Victor, (Dick's dad) win at cribbage once in a while!! So, any of you in the cribbage crowd please help me !!

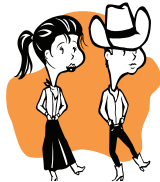
Line Dancing

Line dancing has been added to our schedule on Thursdays. This was by popular request.

The instructor is Tina Foster and she informs us it is geared for beginners, and safe for those with knee or hip problems. You will need proper footwear.

The class will be held on 8 Thursdays beginning January 8th, 2009. 1pm -2:30 pm. Cost: \$5. a session.

If you haven't signed up yet, it isn't to late to have some fun and learn something new or show off all those steps you knew before.



Beginners Bridge Lessons

Because of great interest , we are again offering beginners Bridge lessons with Evie Chase. Classes will be offered for 8 weeks, beginning on Tuesday, Jan. 13th.

Evie says she needs a minimum of 4 people to offer the class. You should sign up @ the Center if you would like to become a bridge player.

Classes will be on Tuesday, with the first class Tuesday, 13th. 10 am til noon . Cost: \$30. for 8 weeks.

For more information contact

Evie Chase 207-361-4235

Marker Art Class

Are you a budding artist?

Bob Hastie's Marker Art Class will begin Monday, January 5 . Space is limited to 9 people so sign up @ the Center. There will only be 3 classes in Jan. due to the MLK Holiday. Dates: Jan. 5,12, 26th from 1-3 pm.

Your art supplies and lessons all included.

Cost: \$45.



DAYS OF WARMING

Presented By The Bank Of America



Pancake Breakfasts and Bingo will be suspended for Jan and Feb.

Instead we will be having the Center open 9am—4pm every Saturday in Jan. and Feb. and will offer entertainment such as sing-a longs, karaoke, art demonstrations, movies etc. We will also have a complimentary lunch every Sat. at 12 noon.

Our first 'Day of warming' is Sat.Jan.3rd,2009 and we will have wonderful entertainment in the form of David Hollis at the piano as well as great lunch provided by SYSCO . Menu: Meat Lasagna, Garlic Bread, Salad and Dessert. ...Free!! Please come and join us for a pleasant relaxing day at the Center.

Monday, January 26th @noon
Atria Luncheon @ Center

Menu

Salad

Meat Lasagna

Garlic Bread

And

White Cake for dessert

Cost:\$ 5. for members

\$6. for non-members

Thursday
Feb. 26th, 2009



Mohegan Sun Casino Trip

Bus leaves from the Wells Transportation Center 8:00 am. Back in Wells 7:00pm

Includes \$30. Casino Package
(Free Buffet and \$15. of gambling)

Sign up at the Senior Center or Call 646-7775
This trip is very popular so sign up soon

\$40. Non-members
\$35. Member's price



Mon. Feb. 9th, 2009

Tentatively this date has been set for a dinner at

Litchfield's, Route 1, Wells.

There will be more information during the month if we can confirm this invitation.

The new General Mgr. has offered to put on a dinner with proceeds coming to the Center but at present we do not have details as the newsletter goes to bed for January.

Looking Back @ 2008

We traveled many miles on Rodney's bus, offering 14 trips this year, and we only had to cancel one because the Washburn Norland barn burned down. There is usually some excitement i.e. (Cabbage Island trip , boat engine died) and lots of fun aboard the bus, we played bingo and Peg Noonan always provided us with some brain stimulation. We visited some new destinations as well as our favorites, like Mohegan Sun and Cabbage Island. Our last trip of the year , HuKeLau and the Bright Nights Christmas Lights @ Forrest Park and they were spectacular! Of course we got a real surprise , when we arrived back @ the bus transportation depot and all the cars were covered with ice!!

We had great community support in 2008 with KBK Savings doing their annual Community Sharing Program and we all got to vote for our favorite charity (Us !!) The Varanos put on two great meals, one at Varanos Italian Restaurant and one @ Billy's Chowder House. And of course, Mr Li @ The East Restaurant gave us a huge check from their grand opening. All these generous donations helped us meet our budget.

Our 6th annual Fashion Show held in June @ the Coastal House, with over 100 merchants donating prizes for our Chinese Auction was a very successful fund raiser for the Center. We cannot express enough gratitude and thanks for all the support we received from everyone involved in the Fashion Show and our other endeavors through-out the year.

The three day Birthday Celebration in July is always very special. We opened our doors in July '04 and so much has been accomplished @ the Center in just 4 short years. This year's celebration included the Big Win ,where we gave away mega prizes. The Volunteer appreciation party was held to honor all those special volunteers who always seem to step in to help. We ended with the Murder Mystery Dinner Theater. Performed by the "Applause for a Cause" theater group, under the direction of June Messier. This group also performed two other plays during the year, as fund raisers for the Center, each one was a great success.

Our bi-monthly 100 Club, the weekly Pancake Breakfast and Bingo are the back bone of fund raisers, these 3 events give us substantial funds to run the Center. We plan to re-vamp, reorganize and put much effort and advertising in these events in the coming year. We will be depending on all of you for help!!.

The Board of Directors were kept busy revamping our By-Laws, ordering the new carpeting, and making sure everything ran smoothly.

These are only some high-lights of the past year, and I cannot stop without saying something about the weather. Jan.,Feb.,and Mar.'08 had so much snow, we were forced to close the Center several days. Mother Nature gave us some nasty weather in Dec.

We will all remember this last Ice Storm, no electricity, water, phone or cable, we are a hardy bunch of NewEnglanders and with the help of family and friends and CMP (we thank them very much) we were getting back to normal only to be told we could expect more storms. Not good news to those who were without power for days. Let's hope for better weather in 2009.

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100 Club Raffle

Fri. Dec. 19th , 2008 Results

Finally, after an ice storm that cost us all dearly the weekend of Dec. 12th, we had the raffle drawing and the Pizza Party. We were fighting a weather report of another storm coming in so we had a very quiet and quick party to pick the winners. The big winners are as follows:

Charles Dahill \$500. Ron Allen \$100

Congratulation to all the winners and better luck and weather next time.

We are going to look forward to the next 100 Club which will be Feb. 20th, 2009.

Please get your tickets ASAP as it looks like it will be a sellout. Chinese Buffet FREE with your ticket!



That is Chinese for 100 Club Raffle!

(Only kidding ! !)

Friday Feb. 20th, 2009

5pm—6pm Social Hour

6pm—7pm Raffle



Buffet provided by
EAST RESTAURANT

\$20. inclds. Raffle & Buffet

\$6. for Guests of ticket holders

\$10. Anyone! !

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