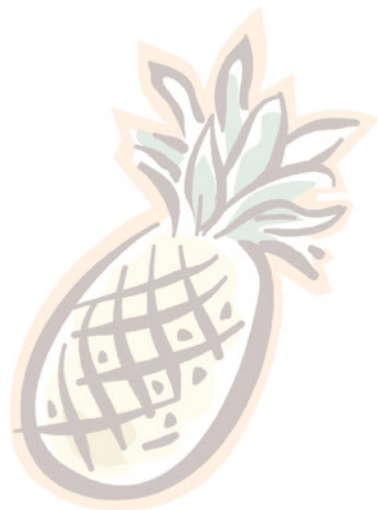


The NewsComer

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The Newsletter of the Newcomers Club of the Andovers



Letter from the President

Hello Everyone

Happy New Year! We sure have seen a lot of snow lately—I grew up in Dallas and just love the sun. So February is one of those months where I start to think sun, sun, sun. But as I talk to my daughter Grace during those dark rainy, snowy days we talk about having fun. There are so many activities to do in New England--she has tried—ice skating, sledding, skiing, etc. It is so much fun to watch her get excited about the new activities. So look this month at our calendar, there are so many events—**So Let's Have Fun**. Try as many new activities this month as you can.

Also we have a special wine tasting this month. It is a fundraiser for our summer camp fund. Members will have the opportunity to give a child a chance of a lifetime. It is often taken for granted that all children attend some type of summer camp especially here in Andover and North Andover. However, there are many families in our own backyard that cannot afford to send their children to summer camp.

In order to help our neighbors in need, we are holding a special event this month, a Wine Tasting Fundraiser and Silent Auction to help send four children to a summer camp of their choice. It promises to be a fun filled evening that you won't want to miss. If you are unable to attend the event on February 27th, you will still have the opportunity to bid on the fantastic silent auction items online.

Let's have fun this month!

Anne Hammond

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About the Newcomers Club of the Andovers

The purpose of the Newcomers' Club of the Andovers is to extend a friendly and neighborly hand to all newcomers and established residents by introducing them to others and starting them on a new social life in their communities and to promote an interest in our towns.

Active membership is open to all residents of Andover and North Andover. Payment of dues establishes this membership and makes the new member eligible to hold an office and chair a committee. The club's calendar runs from September through June.

Welcome New Members!

Beth & Terry Kirn with children Cameron, Colin & Brady from Natick, MA

Jeannette He & Jeremy Steddon with child Sydney from Cambridge, MA

Baby News: Avery Mae born on January 6th to Courtney & Tony Hutchins

New Members Wine Night - February 3rd

New and current members are invited to join us in the lounge at Glory Restaurant in Andover the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm. This is the perfect opportunity to bring your friends who want to learn more about Newcomers! You don't need to be new to the area to join Newcomers, just interested in making new friends.

Please RSVP to Kris Ringler at kristhomasringler@gmail.com or at 978-886-8629 on or before February 1st. Please note there will be a cash bar.

Book Club - February 1st

Book group meets the first Monday of each month. We socialize over light refreshment from 7:30 – 8:00 pm then move on to a lively discussion of our month's book. So if you love to read and are looking for great adult conversation, join us. Please note that Joan Colbert will be running the book group from Dec. 26th to April 1st. Joan's contact info is jawesome13@comcast.net, 978-475-8294.

Our book for February is *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett

When: February 1st at 7:30 pm

Where: Lisa Plume's home, 46 Shannon Lane, North Andover, MA

RSVP to Lisa by January 29th at lisacroninplumbe@gmail.com

Looking forward, our March book is *Tortilla Curtain* by T. C. Boyle.

Bon Appétit – February 9th

Do you love wonderful food? Do you enjoy cooking and creating different dishes and gathering with friends to enjoy new creations? Members of the group can join as a regular or substitute member to attend the monthly lunches. Regular members commit to attending each monthly luncheon from October to June and agree to host one luncheon.

We target at least 8 regular members and an unlimited number of substitute members. Should we have more interest for regular members, we will expand to having two houses of eight each month. Our group does have great flexibility to accommodate whatever the Bon Appétit members decide and larger numbers.

In February, we'll be meeting on the 9th.

The Hostess provides her home and beverages and sends her guests their recipes from which they will prepare the entree, dessert (or whatever) to bring on the day of Bon Appétit. On that date, we bring our designated food to enjoy and socialize. It really is a great group of women who share the love of good food. We have had some outstanding menus and events and most of all fun.

For more information or to join as a regular or substitute, please contact Mary McKenzie at 978-687-3352 or Adrienne LeBrun 978-685-2743.

Empty Nesters - February 18th

Is your nest finally empty? Now you finally have some spare time to have "fun." Empty Nesters is a group for women. We either don't have children or ours have already graduated from high school.

We meet on the third Thursday of every month at 10am to socialize and to plan upcoming activities. Some of our activity groups include book club, bunco, potluck dinners, couples dinners, women's discussion, specialty tea group and more. Occasionally, we have field trips to museums, art shows and other interesting places. If there is an interest and people to go, we're gone!

When you are new to the area and you don't have children at home, It is sometimes harder to meet new people. Our group has been considered a 'life saver' to many empty nesters who have moved to the Andovers.

Chairperson: Susan Miller, susanfromakron@comcast.net or 978-689-8848

New Member contact: Antoinette Fischer at 973-683-3630 or capdrilmom@aol.com

The February Empty Nester coffee will be held at the home of Jan Wuehrmann on February 18, 2010 at 10:00 am. If you plan on attending please RSVP to Jan at wuehrmann@comcast.net or 978-975-7166 by Friday, February 12th. The social hour is from 10:00 until 11:00 and then a business meeting is held to discuss up-coming event and activities in the Interest Groups.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Ladies Night Out - February 25th

Are you looking for a fun night out? Join some of the ladies of Newcomers for drinks, appetizers and dancing on Thursday, February 25th at 7:00pm at Glory Restaurant, 19 Essex Street, Andover.

RSVP to Kara Liberman at Karasliberman@gmail.com by February 15th, so we know how many people to expect.

Also, if you have any ideas for future ladies night out or would like to host, please let me know.

Wine Tasting to Benefit Summer Scholarship Program - February 27th

On Saturday February 27th, the Newcomer's Club of the Andovers will be hosting a wine tasting and silent auction to benefit our Summer Scholarship Program. Our goal is to raise enough money to send two children from each community, Andover and North Andover, to a summer camp that he/she may not have otherwise been able to attend. Be the first to participate in what is sure to be an exciting evening.

We are asking for a \$25.00 minimum donation per person and in return you will have the opportunity to:

- * Taste delicious wines from Italy
- * Enjoy sumptuous appetizers and desserts
- * Bid on great items such as weekend on the Cape, beautiful jewelry or your own wine tasting
- * Mingle with new and old friends and most importantly help a child have a summer to remember!

The event is graciously being hosted by:

Rich and Jen Pulsifer

6 Webster Street, Andover, MA

The evening is limited to 30 people so please RSVP as soon as possible! If you have not received an invite already, please contact Kim Grady at (978) 474-1099 or via e-mail at gradykim@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you on the 27th!

Beading Group - February 28th

This month the group will meet on Sunday, February 28th at 2:00pm. We will be making a Seedbead Fringe Bracelet. Cost for the lesson is \$ 10.00. Check www.DotWinn.com for picture and supply list. Please RSVP by February 25th as space is limited.

Newsletter Submissions - February 15th

Please have your newsletter information to Karen Nichols by the 15th of the prior month. Email new content to mknichols10@comcast.net. Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Moms & Tots - Weekly on Wednesdays

Moms & Tots meets weekly on Wednesday mornings for home coffees (playdates) and group activities. For those of you new to the area, Moms & Tots provides a great opportunity for kids of a similar age to play and for moms, dads or caregivers to get to know each other. The cost for joining Moms & Tots is \$25.00

Wednesday, February 3th, 9:30- 11:00 am - Home Coffee

**Those of you who are scheduled to host a coffee on this date will receive notification via e-mail. This mailing will have a list of Moms assigned to your house and their email addresses and phone numbers. You will need to either email or call the Moms on your list to let them know they are assigned to your house and to give directions.

Plan on providing light snacks for the Moms and children and, of course, coffee! Please avoid snacks with nuts, as some of the children have allergies.

Wednesday, February 10th, 9:30- 11:00 am - Valentine's Party

Stevens Memorial Library in North Andover

345 North Main St, 978-688-9505 www.stevensmemlib.org

We will have all the trimmings for the kids to make valentines cards, cookies and other crafts.

Wednesday, February 17th, 9:30- 11:00 am- Home Coffee

**Those of you who are scheduled to host a coffee on this date will receive notification via e-mail. This mailing will have a list of Moms assigned to your house and their email addresses and phone numbers. You will need to either email or call the Moms on your list to let them know they are assigned to your house and to give directions.

Plan on providing light snacks for the Moms and children and, of course, coffee! Please avoid snacks with nuts, as some of the children have allergies.

Wednesday, February 24th, 10:00- 11:00 am - Boston Sports Club

Come and watch your little ones run, jump, tumble and play at the Boston Sports Club, 307 Lowell Street, Andover (www.mysportsclub.com/ 978-475-3333). Moms and Tots will meet at 10:00 a.m. upstairs in the Club. We will use the Club's mat/ gymnastics room which includes a trampoline, balance beam, parallel bars, uneven bars, and lots of mats on which to tumble and jump. We will also use the Club's adjacent rec/ sports room which includes basketball nets, hockey goals, balls, and plenty of space to run around. If you'd like, feel free to bring your own drink and nut-free snack.

We will need to provide the Boston Sports Club with the number of children attending this event, so please RSVP to Jenn Costa when she sends out the reminder email closer to the date. The cost is \$8 per participating child, with the real little ones being free of charge. Payment can be made the day of the event.

Moms & Tots continued...

Directions: The Boston Sports Club is located at 307 Lowell Street/ Rt. 133.

From Rt. 114 in North Andover- Turn onto Peters Street/Rt. 133 heading west towards Andover/ Tewksbury for approximately 3.5 miles. Turn right into the Boston Sports Club parking lot (if you hit the intersection of Rt. 93, you have gone too far).

From 93 heading North- Take Exit 43/ Rt. 133 East (Lowell Street) towards Andover/Lawrence. At the end of the exit ramp, bear right, and make an almost immediate left into the Boston Sports Club parking lot (if you pass hit a traffic light, you have gone too far).

From 93 heading South- Take Exit 43A/ Rt. 133 East (Lowell Street) towards Andover/Lawrence. At the end of the exit ramp, bear right, and make an almost immediate left into the Boston Sports Club parking lot (if you hit a traffic light, you have gone too far).

If you have any questions, please email or call: Jenn Costa at pekulmann@yahoo.com or at 203-565-6244.

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Calendar - February 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Book Club 7:30pm Plume Home	2	3 Moms & Tots 9:30 - 11:00am Home Coffee New Member Wine Night 7:30pm Glory	4	5	6
7	8	9 Bon Appetit	10 Moms & Tots 9:30 - 11:00am V-Day Party Steven's Memorial Library Board Meeting 7:00pm Seville Home	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Moms & Tots 9:30 - 11:00am Home Coffee	18 Empty Nesters Coffee 10:00am Wuehrmann Home	19	20
21	22	23	24 Moms & Tots 9:30 - 11:00am Boston Sports Club	25 Ladies Night Out 7:00pm Glory	26	27 Wine Tasting & Silent Auction to Benefit Summer Camp Program 7:00pm Pulsifer Home
28 Beading Group 2:00pm						

Newcomers Club of the Andovers - Membership Form

Check One:

Returning Member

New Member

First Name: _____ **Last Name:** _____

Spouse / Significant Other (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

Town: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____ (All newsletters will be sent via email to the email address provided)

Moved From What Town? : _____

Name(s) of Children (if applicable): _____

How did you hear about the Newcomers?: _____

Whom may we thank for referring you?: _____

If you do not want information included in the annual membership directory, please be sure to make a notation on this form specifying which fields to omit; otherwise it will be printed in the annual membership directory.

Check All That Apply:

I/We are interested in finding out more about the following activities:

- Beading Group
- Beer Tasting
- Bike Riding Group
- Bon Appetit
- Book Club
- Couples Game Night
- Cycling Group
- Empty Nesters
- Ladies Bunco
- Ladies Night Out
- Moms & Tots* (additional fee of \$25 per year)
- Walking Group
- Wine Tasting
- Scholarship Fundraising Committee
- Other: _____

Payment can be made by check or electronic payment through PayPal with a small added fee.

Please include the PayPal reference number: _____

Please send your check for \$35.00* made payable to the following:

**Newcomers Club of the Andovers'
PO Box 974
Andover, MA 01810**

**Dues for active members are \$35.00 if membership is started between September and January inclusively, and \$15.00 if started between February and April. Those joining in May or June will pay the dues for the following year. Please note that there is an additional fee if joining Moms & Tots.*

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