

December 2008



## Concord Carlisle Newcomers' Club

### *To Our Members:*

There is a lot to do in your home town this season!

- The Concord Museum is holding its holiday event: Family Trees: A Celebration of Children's Literature from 12/5/08 to 1/4/09. This is a great event, not to be missed.
- Carlisle's First Religious Society will hold its Greens Sale on Sat Dec 6th.
- Concord's Holiday Open House is Sunday, Dec 7th.

As I write this, the TV weatherperson is talking about a possible snow storm next week. I have to admit that I am never ready for snow until after Thanksgiving, but if it comes before this year, so be it. Who am I to argue with Mother Nature? I do know that when we have a snow storm, Concord and Carlisle are at their most beautiful. So, if you have a chance to get out and enjoy the snow when it does arrive, I encourage you! Don't forget the wealth of outdoor activities in our area; downhill and cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and sledding. Take your dog, your children, or just yourself but get outside and enjoy a crisp New England winter day—white snow paired with blue skies. Feel the crunch of snow under your feet as you explore our area. Be sure to visit **Concord Center on Sunday, December 7th for the Holiday Open House.**

December is a month of parties and celebrations and the Newcomers Club has something planned for you. On **Saturday, December 13th**, we will gather for the **Holiday Party** at Vin and Gail Sahney's home in Concord. Thank you Vin and Gail for opening your house to us again this year! Drop in for this event and share in the holiday spirit with other Newcomers. Another holiday-themed event is December's **Welcome Coffee at the Wayside Inn in Sudbury**. The inn will be decorated for the holidays and you are welcome to come on **Monday, December 8th** for a cup of coffee and conversation. Please feel free to invite your neighbors to come with you!

A big thank you goes out to Pam Orton and Kim Cronin, our newest Board Members. Pam will be our Secretary, she already has one board meeting under her belt. Kim is taking over the Gourmet duties from Nancy Sharp. We have had to say good-bye to Nancy and her husband Michael as they are soon moving to New York state. Nancy jumped right into the Newcomers Club when she arrived in Concord and gave her smile and her bridge expertise to the club. Thank you Nancy and Michael, we will miss you.

Until next time, have a great month and Happy Holidays!

*Ann & Kathy*

Ann Rosas and Kathy Cucuolo

Co-Presidents

## *Welcome Coffee—Monday, December 8th*



### **Holiday Welcome Coffee**

It's that time of year when having a hot cup of coffee, with friends sitting around an open fire, can be very relaxing and refreshing. Add to this that the fireplace is in The Old Kitchen of the Wayside Inn, which has been spectacularly decorated for the holidays by several local area Garden Clubs using "an Old Fashioned Christmas" theme, and you have the recipe for a great morning. With all this in mind, please join us on **Monday December 8th from 9am-11am** at the Inn for our last welcome coffee for 2008.

Cost \$5 per person

RSVP Ros Pullman pullfam@prodigy.net or 978 318-7928 by Saturday December 6th

The Wayside Inn is located at 72 Wayside Inn Rd in Sudbury. Directions to the Inn may be found at [www.wayside.org](http://www.wayside.org)

**PLEASE NOTE THIS COFFEE IS BEING HELD ON A MONDAY AND NOT OUR USUAL TUESDAY**


## *Thank you to Concord Flower Shop*



As part of the decorations for our fall social, we enjoyed an absolutely gorgeous fall arrangement, designed (and donated) by Helen Halloran, of the Concord Flower Shop, Thoreau Street, Concord.

Thank you for your contribution Helen.

We are grateful for your exquisite efforts!



*Our Holiday Celebration*

*Saturday, 13 December 2008,  
6-10 P.M.*



*Hosted by Gail & Vin Sahney,  
25 Cressbrook Road, Concord.*

*What to bring?*

*-an hors d'oeuvres to share*



*-a book for the Books for Tots donation*



*-singing voices & merry hearts*

*-(& extra shoes, socks, or slippers)*



*If you have piano playing skills, let us know!*



*We look forward to sharing a  
happy & festive evening with you.*



*RSVP to [p\\_koenitzer@yahoo.com](mailto:p_koenitzer@yahoo.com)*

## Moms & Tots Thurs Dec 11

To all Newcomers' moms and tots:

Please join us for coffee and conversation about local activities and playgroups at the home of Anne and Sanjay (2 years old) De Silva, 786 Strawberry Hill Road, Concord. **Anne's email is [chezdesilva@yahoo.com](mailto:chezdesilva@yahoo.com) for your RSVP.**

Thursday, December 11, 2008 9:30 am

Thursday, January 22, 2009 9:30 am

Thursday, February 12, 2009 9:30 am

Anne also wants to get the word out about a great class that Sanjay loves:

*Come join the fun at Story Dance, a wonderful, fun and interactive class for toddlers and their caregivers. Taught by professional storyteller and drama specialist, Joey Talbot. Winter session Dec 5-Feb 27, 2009. Fridays from 10 –10:40am. Ages 20 mths –2.5 yrs. Call Concord Rec at 978-369-6460 to register.*



## Afternoon at the Movies

Join us in December for another afternoon at the movies. We rendezvous to carpool at Crosby's on Sudbury Road in Concord, to catch an early show in order to be home by late afternoon. We generally focus on independent and foreign films, leaving you the blockbusters to see with your spouse or family.

If you are not already on our moviegoers list, please send Kathe Falzer your email.

Kathe Falzer (978) 369-6118 [lkfalzer@comcast.net](mailto:lkfalzer@comcast.net)



## CCNC Events--December 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> Dog Walking 9 am	2	<b>3</b> Evening Book Club 7 pm	4	<b>5</b> Needlework Group 9:30 am  Men's Poker Group	6
7 Concord Holiday Open House (noon) & Tree Lighting (5:30pm)	<b>8</b> Welcome Coffee 9 am  CCNC Board Meeting 7 pm	<b>9</b> Dog Walking 2 pm	10 Daytime Book Club 10 am  Concord Museum Tour 2 pm	<b>11</b> Moms & Tots 9:30 am	12	<b>13</b> Holiday Party 6 pm
14	15	16	<b>17</b> Dog Walking 9 am	18	<b>19</b> Men's Poker Group	20
21 Hannukah begins	22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas	26 Kwanzaa begins	27
28	29	<b>30</b> Dog Walking 1 pm	31 New Year's Eve			

## *Evening Book Group-Wed, December 3rd, 2008*



The Evening Book Group did not meet in November because of the Thanksgiving holiday, so the next meeting is on **Wednesday, December 3rd at 7:00pm**. The book we will discuss is *Loving Frank*, by Nancy Horan. We will meet in the Club Meeting Room at 95 Conant Street in West Concord. Please **RSVP** to Leslie Gardner at [lkoppelg@att.net](mailto:lkoppelg@att.net). Please feel free to be a "sometime member" if a particular book strikes your interest.

## *Daytime Book Group-Wed, December 10th*

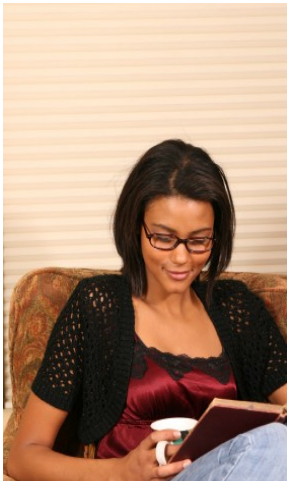
The CCNC Daytime Book Group is ending the year with an "amusing chunk of magical realism. It's a tragicomic experience, centering on the devastation of the Holocaust, and a modern-day quest for the past." (quote from Amazon.com)

On **Wednesday, December 10th**, we are discussing **Everything's Illuminated** by **Jonathan Safran Foer**. This meeting is from 10 am to noon and is at the home of Debra Cohen, 153 Virginia Farm Lane, Carlisle.

On **Wednesday, January** we will be meeting for a lunch of salad & dessert to choose the books we will read for 2009. Mary dePedro is hosting this meeting.

Please join us for any or all of these books! **RSVP** to Debra for the December meeting by phone or email: 978-201-9366 or

[bella79954@yahoo.com](mailto:bella79954@yahoo.com).



## *Dog Walking Group—*

The Dog Walking Group has new leaders—Carol Aronson and her faithful companion Leica. Carol is new to Concord and is still learning about all the wonderful trails and places to walk dogs. She is eager to hear about the favorite spots of other Newcomers' dog walkers. Here's December's walks:

### **Monday December 1 @ 9am: Simon Willard Trail in Concord**

The Simon Willard Woods consists of approximately 65 acres stretching for almost a mile along the Assabet River. From Elm Street Head down Simon Willard Road to almost the end. Make sure you stay on Simon Willard and don't veer off onto Musketequid. If you have a GPS plug 426 Simon Willard into the device; otherwise look on your left for the mail boxes to 311 & 349. The trail head is midway between the two boxes on the right side of the road. This is a leash-free walk.

### **Tuesday December 9 @ 2:00 pm: Thoreau Woods Sudbury Rd in Concord**

Come join on a leash-free walk and wander through the back woods of Walden Pond. Less than 2/10<sup>ths</sup> of a mile south of Route 2 on Sudbury Road you will see a large yellow house set back behind a stone wall on the left side of the street (approx 647 Sudbury Road). There are two driveways right next to each other. Coming from Route 2 turn into the first driveway, (no you are not going into someone's garage) and go to the end to the head of the trail. Park & meet on the grassy patch before the trail head.

### **Wednesday December 17 @ 9:00 am: Estabrook Woods in Con-**

**cord.** Estabrook Woods is a leash-free trail in Concord with beautiful wide paths, ponds and open space. Parking is easy, park on side of road around 293 Estabrook Road.

### **Tuesday December 30 @ 1:00 pm: Sleepy Hollow and Beyond in Concord**

Meet at the first gate on Bedford Road, east of Monument street. Leashes are required in the Cemetery, but once we reach the back of the cemetery we can connect to an offleash trail which connects to a trail that runs along the Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge. Park along Bedford Road.

Please **RSVP** to Carol: [craronson@comcast.net](mailto:craronson@comcast.net) or 978-254-5571.



## *Needlework Group— Friday, December 5th*

Because everyone is so busy this month, we will meet just once, on

**December 5th.** Our hostess will be Susan McAndrew, 78 Nickles Lane, Carlisle, 978-371-1108. Treat yourself to a break during this hectic season and relax over a cup of coffee, your stitching, and convivial conversation. Call Susan for directions and/or to **RSVP**, and join us for those finishing touches on your holiday, or whatever your current project is.

If you would like an automatic reminder of the time and place of our semi-monthly get-togethers, as well as changes that occur after the newsletter goes to print, send an e-mail to Susan (below).

Susan McAndrew  
978-371-1108  
SEMcAndrew3@hotmail.com



## *Concord Museum Event—December 10th*



Come to the Concord Museum with other Newcomers' and tour the exhibit: Family Trees. On **Tuesday, December 10th at 2:00 pm**, the CCNC Newcomers' will have a tour of the display. A minimum of 12 people are required to have a private tour, so if you are interested, contact Susan McAndrew by December 3rd to let her know. Susan's email is: SEMcAndrew at hotmail.com and her phone number is: 978-371-1108. Tickets for this event cost \$15.00 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and \$6 for children aged 4-18.

## *Men's Poker Night-1st and 3rd Fridays*



This is a friendly low stakes game. We play any number of poker variations, including Texas Hold'em, with each game named (and explained) by the dealer. Play begins at 7:30 pm and runs until about 11:00 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays of the month, including summer months.

Attendance is organized on a first-come, first-served basis. You can attend by registering at the club events web site. For more information please contact Jim Philippou:

jphilippou@hotmail.com.

**The December dates are Friday, December 5th and Friday, December 19th.**

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*Membership*

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*Return Service Requested*

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### *Welcome New Members!*



Bernadette & Michael Feeney, Concord

Jan & Rob Powell, Concord

Margaret Read & Tom Veirs, Carlisle

### *Volunteers Wanted*



The Carlisle Cultural Council is looking for people to help. The council reviews grants and awards money to Carlisle groups for cultural events. For more information, please contact Patricia Koenitzer: [p\\_koenitzer@yahoo.com](mailto:p_koenitzer@yahoo.com).