



THE MONTHLY SCOOP

October 2024



Crisp temps, Cozy sweaters, Spicy scents, Warm colors.

Happy Fall, Y'all!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Autumn and Halloween! October has always been my favorite month as days get cooler and leaves begin to turn beautiful shades of yellow, orange and red.

I hope you all can take advantage of the many great trails we have in the Sandhills area as often as my wife and I do. If you enjoy other activities we have plenty to offer this October. Catherine Mitchell is organizing our first day trip on the 10th of October to Starworks Glass. Check the website for details including carpooling.

Please review our calendar of events as I am sure you will find something that interests you. Also, we are always looking for new ideas and new board members. Feel free to reach out to myself or any board member if interested.

Kindly, Gary Orso

Just a Note:

Ever wonder how Jack-o'-lanterns came about?

In Ireland they were developed to avoid the spirit of Stingy Jack, a man who outsmarted the Devil and was doomed to wander the Earth. The Irish brought this tradition to America, where they found pumpkins to be better suited for making Jack-o'-lanterns.

NEW MEMBER:

SURDEZ

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FYI:

Some people have expressed interest in Euchre, Hearts, Bunco, Canasta, Poker and Mah Jongg groups. If you are interested leading or participating in any of these, contact Carol Alexander at calex16@gmail.com.

Gary has agreed to send info. with pics to the Pilot and possibly the Pinestraw. If you have any photos and details of past events, please send him an email with names of the people and the event title. His email is grorso@maine.rr.com.

John Mattoon mentioned a link to the Post Office which sends you daily notifications about what mail or packages you can expect. Sign in at <https://www.usps.com/manage/informed-delivery.htm> with your email address.

IMPORTANT!

We NEED people for Membership Chair, Sunday Socials (if it is to continue) and Christmas Party Planner 2025. If you are or know someone who may be able and willing to do either, please contact Gary Orso at grorso@maine.rr.com.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for Dec. 8th for Act 2's annual Christmas Party at the Pinecrest Inn. Details to follow.

DAYTRIPPERS

Daytrippers will travel to Star, NC on October 10th for their Hot Glass, Cold Beer event. This includes a glass blowing demonstration and an opportunity to check out this unique setting. Cost will be \$5.00 per person.

We will be carpooling from the Harris Teeter on 211. We will leave at 4:15 for the short drive as this will give us a chance to secure seating before the event at 5:30.

Please contact me if you have any questions, ASAP so we can order tickets ahead of time. Catherine Sigmon-Mitchell at csigmit14@gmail.com.

SINGLES AND SOLOS GROUP

Please join us at 3:15pm on Tuesday Oct. 8 for the 2nd Annual Scavenger Stroll through Pinehurst Village. Parking is available on a limited basis in the village and the sandlot next to Tufts Park. Meet us there and you will be assigned to a team to stroll slowly through the village, locating as many items on your list as possible. Take photos and then we'll meet at 5:15pm at Pinehurst Brewery, 300 Magnolia Rd. Please sign up by Tuesday, Oct. 1st to Kate Huges, KMH0647@aol.com or text her at (781) 983-6763.

If you have suggestions for future events, call Carol Alexander at 910-295-9591 or cell (910) 603-3728 to join or for other singles/solos group activity suggestions.

DINING OUT

On Oct. 22nd, we'll be dining out at Valenti's in Vass at 5:30pm. This is a lovely Italian Restaurant with many delicious options. Please email replies to Kate Huges at KMH0647@aol.com or text her at 781-983-6763 by Oct. 17. Limited seating.

THIRSTY THURSDAY

Jeri Crowell will host TT on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 6-8pm. Bring your own beverage, an appetizer for 10-12 people and \$1 for supplies. Please RSVP Lyra Rittger at jrittger@nc.rr.com

ORIGINAL BOOK CLUB

At 12:30 on Monday, October the 28th we meet at Patty Mattoon's home, 20 Shenecossett Lane, 910-295-4510.

Book: West With Giraffes by Linda Rutledge (available in paperback)

Discussion Leader: Patty Mattoon

Refreshment: Susie Roeder

We select our next year's books at the Country Bookstore, SP, in November.

For questions please call Susan Newsome, 910-621-3322, or email chiangkaischeck1@gmail.com

SATIATING STORIES BOOK CLUB

The ladies of SS will meet at Table on the Green on October 23rd at 11:30 AM to dine and discuss "The Book Woman's Daughter" by Kim Michele Richardson. This is the sequel to "The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek" which the group has read previously. Please let JoAnne know by Oct. 21st if you plan to attend (910) 295-3564 or jwhansz@hotmail.com. Happy reading!

ACT2 LADIES BRIDGE

We will meet on the fourth Wednesday, October 23rd, at Table on the Green. Contact Carol Alexander at 910-295-9591 or Patty Mattoon at 910-295-4510 if interested in playing with the group. This is a fun regular bridge group.

WEBSITE

John Mattoon has updated the Membership Directory portion of the website to make it easier to add and edit, as well as improve the appearance. Please check your contact info and make sure it's correct. If not, send changes to John at act2webmasterjohn@gmail.com. If you need the passcode to the members only section, contact Elly Moses at ecmoses529@gmail.com.