



Newcomers of New Bern New Directions Newsletter

www.newbernnewcomers.org

October 2011

Letter from the Co-Presidents October 2011

We hope that all are recovering from Irene and have at least returned to a semblance of normalcy. As with many of you, this was our first hurricane and honestly, we really don't need to experience another. Irene was certainly an unwelcome guest - and she extended her stay, uninvited, and that made matters much worse.

Most of the roads are pretty clear and damage in downtown New Bern was pretty slight, given the potential. The downtown area is once again filled with tourists; parking can be hard to find, and strangers are once more wandering out in front of moving cars! Things are about normal! And a reminder that we live in a beautiful area that others want to visit and we should just add that thought to our Irene memory banks.

Fall brings many possibilities to New Bern; Mumfest, and Oktoberfest (yes, it's in the last week of September!). Our Wine Social was a great success as we're sure the October Wine Social will be. Our other activities are powering up! Sign up and get involved with an activity, or start one of your own, as did the Bicycling Group who made their second ride this past week.

Our first monthly membership meeting featured great barbershop music by *The Southern Gentlemen Chorus* and we would like to thank them for their great performance.

Next month's presentation will be by Dr. Thomas Glasgow, Director of Craven County Cooperative Extension, on the Topic: "Caring for Lawn/Turf Types Found in the New Bern Area."

We are initiating a Community Resource page in this issue of the newsletter, so look for information, reviews and links!

As the weather turns cooler, everyone usually feels more invigorated and wants to be more active. Take advantage of all the Newcomers Club has to offer! Meet new people and renew friendships with others. It looks like a great Fall ahead.

Michael and Jan Beech

The *New Directions Newsletter* presents some of the highlights of October's activities. You can find more complete and current information on the Newcomers Website at

[http://www.newbernnewcomers.org/](http://www.newbernnewcomers.org)

Contents

- [Newcomers Calendar](#)
- [September 14 Membership Meeting Photos](#)
- [Resource Corner](#)

Newcomers Calendar

October 3, 4:30 pm
[Photography Group](#)
Getting to Know Your Camera

October 12, 2011*

October 22, 10:00 am
[Outdoor Adventure Group](#)
Brice Creek Paddle

November 9, 2011*

November 26, 10:00 am
[Outdoor Adventure Group](#)
Kite Flying at Ft. Macon

December 5, 7:00 pm
[Holiday Party](#)
Flame Banquet Center

January 11, 2012*

February 8, 2012*

March 14, 2012*

April 11, 2012*

May 9, 2012*

Next meeting October 12

**Newcomers with last names beginning with
F, G, H, I and J
are invited to supply desserts for the October 12
meeting.**

Photos from the September 14 Membership Meeting



Co-President Jan Beech with the Raffle Man.



Dining In is described to a rapt audience.



The Southern Gentlemen Chorus Performs.

Resource Corner

This section hopes to help you locate local resources that you might find helpful. This is not an endorsement of any resource, nor should it be considered as advertising for that resource.

New Bern Magazine

A small multiple-page glossy magazine that lists the months events in NewBern and some of the surrounding area. It has brief articles about the arts community in New Bern and the surrounding area. It is widely available in stores, coffee shops, dining establishments and at the Visitors Center.

The New Bern Now Ledger

This pamphlet style multi-page flyer has extensive listings of categorized businesses in the New Bern area as well as a long listing of events in the area. *The Ledger* is associated with the *New Bern Now* website (<http://newbernow.com>) which adds a dimension to the information that is not readily found in other resource publications. *The Ledger* can be found at coffee shops, dining establishments, retailers and the Visitors center

<http://newbernow.com>

The Newbern Now website would like to be considered as "The People's Voice Website where everyone has a voice with the only requirements are being informative and tastefully." It has a far ranging scope, including a current events calendar, news and information about festivals and community events, entertainment and much more.

The Downtown New Bern Blog Spot:

A resource for events scheduled in downtown, reports of the events and information and News about New Bern - focusing on downtown. This has been one of the most important sources of scheduling information for events such as *A Dickens of A Christmas*, The New Years celebration and holiday events at Tryon Palace and the History Center. Photos of community events are also posted. <http://www.downtownnewbern.blogspot.com/>

[Home](#) | [About](#) | [Newsletter](#) | [Calendar](#) | [Activities](#) | [Photo Gallery](#) | [FAQ](#) | [Contact](#)