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Upcoming Luncheon Programs

March 27, 2009 Bull and Claw, Wells

"The Art of Mexican Cooking"

Our March speaker will be Lucia Velasco Evans, who is chef and owner of *Lucia's Kitchen*, located in Cape Neddick. Lucia comments that her "passion is working with food. Whether it be baking sweets or preparing savory dishes, happiness comes while cooking."

Born and raised in Mexico City, Lucia creates culinary delights such as *Budin Azteca* (layers of corn tortillas, pulled chicken, sauce and cheddar cheese) and chimichurri marinated and grilled flank steak in her take-out and catering shop. She will soon be enlarging her highly successful business to an adjacent larger barn where there will be table seating.

Before opening her own Maine business, Lucia was co-owner of a catering business in Portsmouth and spent 11 years at the highly acclaimed *Arrows* restaurant where she won a the James Beard Award as Best Pastry Chef in the Northeast.



April 24, 2010 Stage Neck Inn, York

"Russian Icons"

Russian born Marina Forbes , an historian, folklorist, lecturer ,and artist will talk about this 1000 year old creative tradition. A guide for trips to Moscow and St; Petersburg, Marina will also talk about highlights from those cities, such as The Hermitage museum.

February Luncheon Meeting SHIFTING SANDS OF SOMALIA

Audrey Gottlieb began to work with the United Nations in 1973 after teaching French to Boston 5th and 6th graders and English to business people in Salonika, Greece. While at the UN, Audrey landed an assignment with the Peacekeeping force in Cyprus. She served as an Assistant Press Analyst in the Department of Public Information under three successive Secretaries General which gave her the opportunity to hone her photojournalist skills

Eventually, the bureaucracy became too stifling and she decided to spread her wings and follow her true love, as a free lance photographer. Gottlieb's photographs of "New Americans" in the borough of Queens include images of rituals and traditions, storefronts turned into mosques and temples, feasts and processions. This signature work of multiculturalism ,with photographic documentation from 1986 to 2006, has been exhibited at The Smithsonian, the Jewish Museum and the Ellis Island Immigration Museum.

Today, Audrey will show images and talk about her experience as a UN photographer in war-torn Somalia during 1993.

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The 2010 board will meet on the second Wednesday of the month. The next board meeting will be March 10th at 5:30 PM at Ellen Farber's home. Newsletter deadline is changed to two weeks before the Luncheon. Newsletters will be e-mailed, distributed at the monthly meeting, then mailed the week following the Saturday luncheon and will also be posted on our website.

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President's Corner

Dear IWCNE Sisters, Our year has gotten off to a flying start. On Monday January 18, Betty McPhee and I braved a very bad snow storm to attend and exhibit on Martin Luther King Day at York High School . It was most informative and enabled us to meet some prospective new members. The Board met on Wednesday January 13th at my home for an informative, exciting meeting. Many new ideas were introduced. Once again we are going electronically with the newsletter. But we are also accommodating members who want it mailed to have it that way. There are enough of us, who will accept it on the internet, that it will save money which can be used towards a more enhanced newsletter. The Fashion Show Committee, under the direction of Betty McPhee, has many new changes and will overwhelm and surprise all of you. All I can say is that we'll be headed in a new and exciting direction. Don't miss it and save the date of June 6th.

Don't miss the Saturday luncheons either. With our hostess Michele Hovde and Program Chairperson, Rose Safran, we certainly can't miss. Don't be out of the informative international afternoons and delicious foods. Our January 23 luncheon was a hit with 46 people at Jonathon's Restaurant in Ogunquit. Awards went to the following charities: Esperanza Academy- \$6000, Biddeford Free Dental Clinic- \$3000; and Compas de Nicaragua/Women in Action- \$3000. Lastly our Potlucks have started. The first was a Blintz and Potato Latke Brunch at yours truly house, the next a Valentine Tea at Betty McPhee's and soon our St.Patrick's Day celebration on March 18th at the home of Joan Curtis. This will be a great year. Ellen

Book Club

Facilitators: Julie Stathoplos/Barb Poulin

February meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 2 at 5:30 PM Hostess: Pat Dateo 207.251.4402 Book: *Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* Author: Steig Larson Please call hostess if you plan to attend

March meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 30 at 5:30 PM Hostess: Barb Poulin 207-363-8731 Book: *The Help* Author: Kathryn Stockett Please call hostess if you plan to attend

Trips & Activities

A trip to the **Museum of Fine Arts**, in Boston is planned for Wednesday, April 7, 2010., leaving the Wells Transportation Center at 9:00 AM and returning by 5 PM. Our trip is to especially view *"Café and Cabaret: Toulouse Lautrec's Paris"*.

Round trip transportation cost is \$27.50 and the museum entrance fee is \$16. Lunch in the MFA dining room is possible by reservation, otherwise lunch is available in the café or cafeteria.

Please call Betty Williams at 207-646-5772 to sign up and for payment details.

Monthly Activities

Foreign Film Discussion

Facilitator: Barb Poulin

Date: Monday, March 1 Time: 6 PM (Note winter starting time) Place: Yorkshire Commons Community Room (just off route 1 A in York)

Film: *Tsotsi* (South Africa) After shooting a woman and driving off in her car a ruthless thug is surprised to discover he isn't alone, there is a crying baby in the backseat. Through his efforts to care for the baby, he slowly rediscovers his capacity to love. Based on a novel by the reknowned Athol Fugard.

Light refreshments will be served. Call Barb at 207.337.2623 or 207.363.8731 if you plan to attend. Friends are welcome. \$2 donation appreciated.

Pot Luck

Everybody's A Little Irish St. Patty's Day Thursday, March 18, 6 PM. Held at the home of Joan Curtis, 551 York St., York. \$15.00. Carpooling is advised. There is

still room for 7 people. Questions or directions? Call Betty McPhee.207-363-9114 Welcome Spring Potluck

Thursday, April 15, 2010 6 PM at Pat Dateo's home, 90 Riverbank Road, Ogunquit. Space is for 18 people, so sign up early. For information call Betty McFee at 207-363-9114

Membership

We have 65 members who have renewed their memberships as of Feb. 10, 2010. The directories have been printed, but will not go out until after March 1, and only to those who have paid their dues. The same goes for the newsletter, as you know.

So ladies....please bring your dues up to date so that you can get all of the information on our club and participate in the up-coming activities and fund-raisers. You don't want to be left in the dark and we need your on-going support to keep up the good work our organization does.

Thank you in advance for your support and prudence in getting your checks in to IWCNE PO Box 351, Cape Neddick, ME 03902. Susan West, Membership Chairman

Les Chanteuse

Les Chanteuse will meet the 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30 PM at the home of Ellen Farber at 20 Tern St. in Ogunquit, ME. The only requirement is that you come to have a good time. We will be preparing for a Spring performance. Dinner at a restaurant follows which is optional. The next meeting will be Thursday. March 4 2010. Please call Ellen at 207-646-8666.

Francophone Gourmet Circle

Date: March 16th at 12 Noon Site: Warrens, Kittery Information: Call Janine Kolb 207.439.5705 or Johanna Mangion 207.439.8782 This group meets to speak French and enjoy a luncheon once each month.



220 Maine Mall Road South Portland, ME 04106 207-773-9555 Dave Draper, Manager

MARCH LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Saturday, March 27, 2010

Bull & Claw 2270 Post Road (Route 1), Wells

Send checks for \$20 by Monday March 20th to: Michele Hovde PO Box 1744 Ogunquit, ME 03907

Meeting at 11:30 Lunch at Noon Speaker: Lucia Evans, "The Art of Mexican Cooking"

Name:____

Phone: _____

Enclosed \$ _____for # _____Reservations

(Please circle-clip-send) Clam Chowder Choice of: Fried Maine Shrimp with Fries and Cole Slaw or Prime Rib au Jus with baked potato and hot vegetable

Fresh rolls, Apple Crisp, Soft drinks and Choice of Coffee, Decaf or Tea PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN 5 DAYS BEFORE THE LUNCHEON

Restaurants will not be able to serve extra meals or make changes to choices. We will not return checks unless cancelled 4 days before.

Holiday Fair: is set for November 6, 2010 from 9 Am to 2 PM at the York Middle School: Planning begins immediately!!! Please come to a "brainstorming" and informational meeting March 11 at 10AM at York Public Library for further information contact Pat Dateo 207-251-4402 or pdateo@maine.rr.com

FUND RAISING

The Committee is seeking the names of charities and their contacts who are interested in being considered for donations for 2010. The deadline for all applications is March 20, 2010. Please contact Joan Kanaan (207-641-8691) for applications. The Committee will be meeting on 3 Saturdays to review and select recipients; April 3, April 17 and May 1 at the York Public Library 10 AM to 2 PM.

Finalists will be interviewed at the April 17 and May 1 meetings.

We need a Chair or Co Chairs for the summer Flea Market. Please phone Joan with suggestions or to volunteer.

> Save The Date Sunday, June 6th

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Members' Column Coincidences Do Happen

In a 2008 IWCNE newsletter article, member, Susan Heckaman, told a wonderful story about her Croatian grandmother.

Susan recently received a surprising e-mail from a woman who had purchased her grandmother's scarf at a thrift shop in Michigan. The scarf had the name Stefanija Rozman inside. The woman "googled" that name and came up with the article in the IWCNE newsletter, where she was able to find Susan's email address and contact her!!! It's a small world, and the IWCNE newsletter is doing it's part to make connections!!

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Yearly Luncheon Calendar

FEBRUARY 27 MARCH 27 APRIL 24 MAY 22 JUNE 26 JULY 24 AUGUST 28 SEPTEMBER 25 OCTOBER 23 NOVEMBER 27

The Board strongly encourages members to attend the monthly meetings, which are integral to <u>IWCNE</u>. Luncheons promote friendship, introduce new members, provide information about club activities as well as furthering our mission of understanding the diversity of cultures in our country and throughout the world. It is also your opportunity to invite friends who can learn about the club and its various programs and projects.

FROM THE FOUNDER'S PEN

The first IWCNE Luncheon Meeting was held on March 28 1992 at Clay Hill Farm with 89 reserving 81 attending and 42 becoming members with 12 nationalities represented. The program featured a Japanese Tea Ceremony performed by Kiyomi Hama. Luncheon attendees for that first year totaled 625 and membership grew to 149 from 25 nationalities or affiliated. To this day many of these ladies are still members and some, who might have left for a period of time, have found a way to return. It was a privilege to start IWCNE and with a very efficient Executive Board we were able to carry out all the planned activities for the rest of the year, including charity projects and a Holiday Ball.

Hands across the Sea,

Anna Kristina Sawtelle

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY TEA

Join us to celebrate and honor women around the world.

WHEN: March 8 at 2 PM

PLACE: Atlantic Design Center, division of Eldredge Lumber 627 Rte #1 York , Phone 363-3004

EVENT: "A Powerful Noise" takes you inside the lives of 3 women from Vietnam, Bosnia and Mali to witness their daily challenges and their significant victories over poverty and oppression. A tribute to the inherent potential of women to change the world.

RSVP to Joan Kanaan 207-641-8691 by March 5th. Please indicate that you will bring finger sandwiches, small fruits or cookies. You may wish to wear ethnic dress.