



# Schooner Tidings

News in and around Schooner Cove

Spring 2007

## New Workshop Opens Its Doors



One of the most exciting additions to Schooner Cove is the newly renovated workshop. Many hours of planning by residents and Schooner staff went into the design.

## Hello from Steve...

Things have been very busy at Schooner Cove this past year. Along with the internal restructuring, naming Cindy McCrum, RN, Executive Director of both Schooner Cove and Chase Point and me Marketing Director of both, there are now 71 Associate Members, and we have welcomed 14 new residents.

A lot goes into running Schooner Cove, but that's one of the reasons it's a wonderful place to live. We are situated on the banks of the Damariscotta River on the Miles Health Care campus in a gorgeous facility, yet it's a lot more than location and architecture. When someone invests in a Schooner Cove apartment, they are investing in a **lifestyle**. There are no chores to keep up; there's no yardwork to worry about, no housekeeping to do. At Schooner Cove, you have the opportunity to socialize with your fascinating neighbors and enjoy the many programs, events, and amenities offered here. It's a great place. I'd love to show you around. Please call me at 207-563-4001.

## Schooner Music Club Has Inaugural Year



Resident Jim Johnson and Russian pianist Tammara.

Jim Johnson loves music, and Schooner is the beneficiary of that admiration, thanks to the grand piano he had placed in the library. This year, he was also responsible for bringing to Schooner one of his favorite pianists, Tammara Poddubnaya, whom he heard at the Portland Conservatory. Jim often visits the Conservatory and has cultivated a relationship with Naydene Bowder, a faculty member there. She soon began sending piano students to perform at Schooner Cove. Classical music-loving residents loved the concerts so much, they banded together and formed a music club to raise funds for even more performances.

**Schooner now has more than 71 Associate Members. Benefits of this membership include invitations to Schooner events and placement on a priority waiting list for apartments. Call Steve Peters at 207-563-4001 for more information.**

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## Out & About with Schooner Cove



Residents at the Portland Museum of Art



The Benses at The Childrens Museum in Portland



Edith Smith at Windjammer Days  
in Boothbay Harbor

There's nothing Schooner Cove residents look forward to more than the excursions organized by Marketing Director Steve Peters. Whether it's a trip to Portland art museums and concerts or just a jaunt up the road to Lincoln County Community Theater or Mid-coast Symphony Orchestra, residents are always offered chances to enjoy the numerous cultural activities available in the area. Sometimes, the entertainment comes right to Schooner Cove, which regularly hosts local professional and community theatre groups and musicians, including the renowned DaPonte String Quartet.

### Another Fun Summer Season at Maine State Music Theatre

Schooner Cove residents have begun boarding the Chase Point/Schooner Cove bus, headed on more theatrical journeys to the 2007 Maine State Music Theatre. This season's exciting fare highlights musicals made from movies and starts with the classic Leonard Bernstein show, **West Side Story**, followed by **Thoroughly Modern Millie**, **Grand Hotel**, and **Hairspray**.



The DaPonte String Quartet, Schooner Cove's favorite, entertains once or twice a year at Schooner.



The Schooner Cove crowd enjoys post-theatre dinner after enjoying a show during the 2006 season at Maine State Music Theatre.

## Mathletes Challenge Schooner Residents

Wiscasset Middle School's math team is used to competing against other students in area math meets, but they faced one of their biggest challenges yet this spring - sparring against residents of Schooner Cove Retirement Community.

"It was amazing," said teacher and math coach Chris Hammond, who led his student "Mathletes" in an initial exhibition meet amongst themselves that was half competition and half learning session. After the mock meet, the 7<sup>th</sup> grade math whizzes explained to the residents how the problems were solved. Then the residents challenged the students.

Each meet consists of three rounds dealing with six types of math problems: geometry, percentages, algebra, types of numbers, fractions, and probability. It was a hard fought battle, but the Mathletes came out on top, 12-10.

"I did fine on the algebra and geometry problems," said resident Bob Hills. "But the probability problems weren't that familiar. The kids were so fast!"

"These kids are much more advanced than we were at their age," said Schooner resident Ed Donohoe.

The math team may have come out on top, but, if you ask anyone who was there, everyone left a winner.



Miles of Friends second graders, teachers, and their senior friends gather in front of Schooner Cove. Founder of the program, Karen Kleinkopf, is in the top row, third from the left.



## Miles of Friends Continues

One of the most popular activities at Schooner Cove is Miles of Friends, an intergenerational program pairing second graders with Schooner Cove residents. Every year from September to June the two groups meet, learn about one another, and form lasting friendships. The program, started by local community member Karen Kleinkopf, is based on a similar program in Wisconsin called Forever Friends, matching second graders with seniors in the community.

## Senior College Classes



Schooner Cove is proud to be a site for Coastal Senior college, part of the University of Maine system.



The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math team from Wiscasset Middle School staged an exhibition for Schooner Cove residents on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Top row (left to right) Jonathan West, Emily Whitaker, Chris Hammond (Math instructor), Alex Cromwell, Nat Blackford, James Brown, Ricky Cost, and Ryan Peters; front row, Schooner residents Mary Ann Strothman, Bob Hillis, and Ed Donohoe.



**The 2006-2007 Schooner Cove  
Board of Trustees**

(seated) Kitty Gregg, Schooner resident member Joyce Carey (back, left to right) Executive Director Cindy McCrum, Rev. Robert George, VP Elder Services Judy McGuire, Mary Betterley, and Schooner resident member Julia Myers.

**Wood workers**



Schooner Cove woodcarvers (left to right - Richard Spinney, Fred Clunie, Jim Wade, Richard Baldwin) all part of The Maine Woodcarvers Association, shared their passion with Schooner residents recently.

These talented men explained how different woods and tools are used and showed residents several beautiful pieces in various stages. Jim Wade will be one of the featured carvers in the Down East Carving show in Augusta this August.

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